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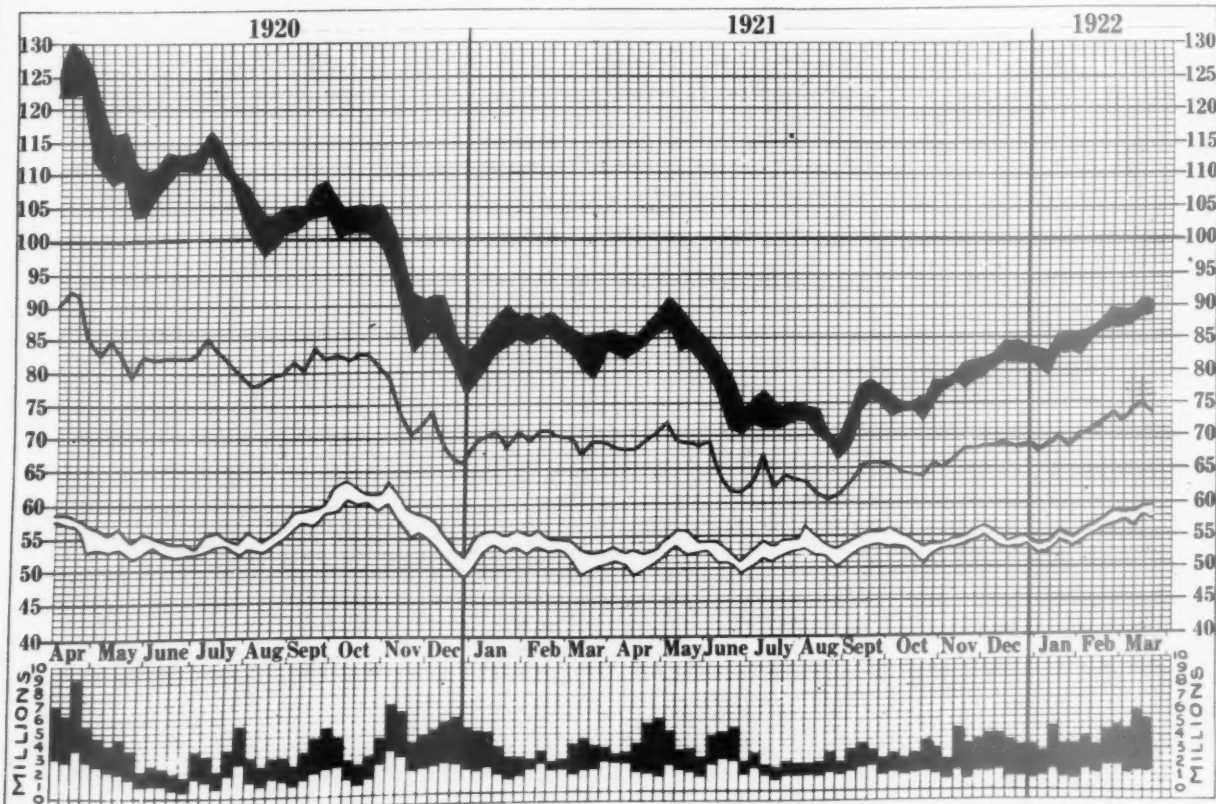
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B. F. Bush, Esq., President of the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company, in a letter dated March 21, 1922, copies of which may be obtained from the undersigned, writes in part as follows:

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"The General Balance Sheet of the Company as of December 31, 1921, compared with June 1, 1917 (the date the Company took over the operation of the property), shows an increase in total assets of \$62,782,466 against an increase in its liabilities of only \$28,571,390, of which latter \$19,570,360 represents Equipment Trust Certificates and amounts funded by the United States Government for new equipment purchased, additions, betterments, etc. On December 31, 1921, the Company's current assets, without including \$11,221,087 materials and supplies, exceeded its current liabilities by \$9,209,541. There was no floating debt and the Company held as part of its current assets Cash, United States Government Certificates and New York City Warrants aggregating \$14,653,679.

"The authorized total amount of the First and Refunding Mortgage Bonds is limited to an amount which, together with all prior debts, after deducting bonds reserved to retire prior debts, shall never at any time exceed three times the then outstanding capital stock of the Company, with the additional proviso that, when the aggregate amount of the bonds issued and the bonds reserved for refunding purposes shall equal the sum of \$450,000,000, no additional bonds shall be issued without the consent of a majority in amount of the stockholders, and then only to the extent of 80% of the cost of work done or property acquired.

"Under the terms of the First and Refunding Mortgage, bonds issuable thereunder shall be issuable in series, shall bear interest at such rates (not exceeding six per cent. per annum) and mature at such time (but not earlier than June 2, 1948) as the Board of Directors shall, from time to time, determine. The amount of bonds secured by the First and Refunding Mortgage which will be outstanding in hands of the public after the present issue, and after deducting the \$13,641,000 bonds due January 1, 1923, for the retirement of which the present issue is in greater part being made, aggregates \$44,884,500, of which \$26,884,500 will be 5% bonds and \$18,000,000 6% bonds. \$11,507,000 additional 6% bonds are pledged with the United States Government to secure loans aggregating \$8,629,760, of which \$4,509,760 mature on July 1, 1929, \$3,000,000 on March 1, 1930, and the balance in instalments of \$80,000 per annum from 1923 to 1936. Under the terms of the mortgage, bonds are reserved to retire the prior lien bonds and further bonds may be issued from time to time for additions, betterments, improvements, construction or purchase of additional railroads, terminals, equipment and for other corporate purposes under the restrictions and limitations provided in the mortgage.

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"The issuance of these bonds and their sale to you are subject to the approval of the Interstate Commerce Commission and any other public authorities that may be necessary, and all proceedings in connection with the creation and issuance thereof are subject to the approval of your counsel.

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THE UNDERSIGNED WILL RECEIVE SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR THE ABOVE BONDS, SUBJECT TO ALLOTMENT, AT 98¼% AND ACCRUED INTEREST PAYABLE AGAINST DELIVERY OF INTERIM RECEIPTS DELIVERABLE IF, WHEN AND AS ISSUED AND RECEIVED BY THEM. AT THIS PRICE THE BONDS WILL YIELD ABOUT 6.10% ON THE INVESTMENT IF HELD TO MATURITY.

The right is reserved to close the subscription at any time without notice, to reject any application, to allot a smaller amount than applied for, and to make allotments in our uncontrolled discretion.

Kuhn, Loeb & Co.

New York, March 22, 1922.

Subscriptions for the above bonds having been received in excess of the amount offered, the subscription list has been closed and this advertisement appears as a matter of record only.

DIVIDENDS.

American Telephone & Telegraph Co.
1922 Dividend.

The regular quarterly dividend of two dollars and twenty-five cents per share will be paid on Saturday, April 15, 1922, to stockholders of record at the close of business on Friday, March 17, 1922.

On account of the Annual Meeting of the stockholders, the transfer books will be closed at the close of business on Friday, March 17, 1922, and reopened at 10 A. M. March 20, 1922.

H. BLAIR SMITH, Treasurer.

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC CO.
COMMON STOCK DIVIDEND NO. 25.

The regular quarterly dividend of \$1.25 per share upon the Common Capital Stock of this Company, will be paid on April 15, 1922, to shareholders of record at the close of business March 31, 1922. The transfer books will not be closed and checks will be mailed from the office of the company in time to reach stockholders on the date they are payable.

A. F. HOCKENBEAUMER,
Vice President and Treasurer.
San Francisco, California.

The regular quarterly dividend of 1½% will be paid April 1st to preferred stockholders of record March 20th.

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P. C. PFEIFFER, Treasurer.

MEETINGS.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY
NOTICE OF MEETING.

165 Broadway, New York, N. Y., Jan. 3, 1922.
The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Southern Pacific Company will be held at the office of this Company in Anchorage, Jefferson County, Kentucky, on Wednesday, April 5, 1922, at twelve o'clock noon, standard time, for the following purposes, viz.:
1. To elect fifteen Directors.
2. To consider and act upon all questions and matters which may legally come before the meeting relating to Federal control of the Company's properties under the act of Congress of March 21, 1918, or any agreement or settlement with the Government in respect thereto, or relating to the termination of such Federal control by the return of the properties or otherwise, and/or relating to conditions resulting from or succeeding such Federal control, and generally all questions and matters growing out of or incident to such control, termination thereof, or following conditions, including the guaranty of income under the Transportation Act, 1920, and settlement thereof.

3. To transact all such other business as may legally come before the meeting, including the approval and ratification of all action of the Board of Directors and of the Executive Committee since the last annual meeting of the Stockholders of this Company.

For the purposes of the Meeting, the books for the transfer of stock will be closed at 3 o'clock P. M. Tuesday, March 21, 1922, and will be reopened at 10 o'clock A. M., Thursday, April 6, 1922.

By order of the Board of Directors,
HUGH NEILL, Secretary.

INSPIRATION CONSOLIDATED COPPER CO.
NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Inspiration Consolidated Copper Company will be held at the office of the Company, 242 Water Street, Augusta, Maine, on Monday, the twenty-fourth day of April, 1922, at two o'clock P. M. for the election of Directors and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting, including the consideration, approval and ratification of all acts and proceedings of the Board of Directors during the past year and of all matters that may be referred to in the Annual Report to the Stockholders.

The transfer books will not be closed; but only those stockholders of record at the close of business (viz., three o'clock P. M.) on Friday, April 7th, 1922, will be entitled to vote at said meeting.

By order of the Board of Directors,
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Denationalizing Our Currency

By Edward A. Bradford

IT might be thought that the weaker the bank the more it would welcome any fair and reasonable method of putting its checks on a par with those of its stronger competitors. It is sure that all sellers favor any such plan to make buyers' checks worth their face. Buyers also should wish their checks to be worth par in payment of bills. Banks which have their customers' interests at heart—there are many and they are the best—prefer to earn their profits by service to customers, rather than by taking unnecessary toll from trade. That is the position of the Federal Reserve and member banks. By their system of par clearances of checks, 90 per cent. of the checks which act as our currency are worth their face everywhere and serve the purpose of making universal payments better than bank notes. This trade facility is of priceless worth. It ranks with the displacement of the chaotic issue of bank notes by State banks before the national bank system was established. The nationalizing of bank checks would alone justify the existence of the Federal Reserve system.

Yet 77 per cent. of the banks in the National and State Banks, Protective Association avow that they are on the Federal Reserve Board's par list against their wills. Eighty-four per cent. would abolish national par check clearing. They prefer a system of domestic exchange having many of the objectionable features of foreign exchange. This continent enjoys in our par clearance plan such a system of exchange between our forty-eight States as the world is seeking and is unable to establish for the nations of the world. Yet a majority of the banks which benefit by the plan is opposed to it, and is supported in its opposition by the Legislatures of several States in an effort to denationalize our deposit currency. So bitter is the opposition, and so little understood is the universal check clearance scheme, that the Federal Reserve is immoderately attacked for establishing it. Louisiana is one of the States which has legislated against the par check system, and the Whitney Central National Bank of New Orleans has \$75,000,000 resources. Its Vice President, C. deB. Claiborne, also President of the Louisiana Bankers' Association, regards the par clearance system as worse than the Wall Street money power. Over his signature he says:

"If the combined power of all the great trusts and all the New York banking interests together were united for a complete domination of this country, that power for evil would not be so great as is the power of the Federal Reserve system as it now stands. Such limitless power cannot longer be permitted to completely dominate, bulldoze, blackmail and destroy the independent banking interests of the country."

It would be easy to multiply such remarks, but only one more will be given.

In the suit brought against the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta by more than a hundred banks of Georgia, an injunction was asked to stop the par clearance system. The lower courts refused the injunction for lack of equity. On the appeal to the Supreme Court, Justice Holmes said in his decision that the courts went too far in refusing the injunction on demurrer. That was a pleading intended to deny that the complaint stated a cause of action. There was only an argument, no trial, no evidence. The case was remanded for trial on the merits, because, in Justice Holmes's words, in establishing the Federal Reserve the United States "did not intend by that statute to sanction this sort of warfare upon legitimate creations of the State," i. e., that which was described in the application for the injunction against the par clearance system.

THE United States District Court for Georgia gave an opinion on the merits on March 13. It found that the demand for an injunction, as above, was as lacking in proof of malevolent misconduct by the Federal Reserve as it was lacking in equity. The law requires the Federal Reserve Banks to collect checks at par, and they are not allowed to take less, says the Court. If banks decline to pay checks without the deduction of an exchange charge when presented in the usual manner through the mails the Federal Reserve may collect payment over the counter. Because more than one check is presented at the same time that act is not unlawful. There was no "ulterior purpose" in the manner of collection of check payments in cash over the counter by the Atlanta Reserve Bank. In the words of Judge Evans:

"Specifically, I find the charge that the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta would accumulate checks upon country or non-member banks until they reach a large amount, and then cause them to be presented for payment over the counter so as to compel the plaintiffs to maintain so much cash in their vaults as to drive them out of business, as an alternative to agreeing to remit at par, is not sustained by the evidence."

Nevertheless, the Court granted an injunction against the Federal Reserve putting the names of banks on its par list without their consent. The par list may publish only a list of cities or towns where the Federal Reserve collects checks at par. The evidence did not show that the publication of the names of protesting banks on the par list was done to injure or oppress plaintiff banks, but they had a right to prevent the use of their names without their consent. An injunction was allowed them in that respect, but an injunction was refused against any other practice complained of. A more complete answer to Justice Holmes's theory of warfare of national against State banks could hardly be framed.

In order to appreciate this decision on the merits and the evidence it is necessary to recall the malicious charges against the Federal Reserve on which is based legislation now pending before Congress. In letters and affidavits filed with a committee of Congress it was insinuated that revolvers were shown by check collectors for the Federal Reserve, and verbal intimidations made by insinuations of what would follow refusal to co-operate with the par clearance of checks. Congress was urged to investigate charges that the Federal Reserve promoted hoarding of the necessities of life, withdrawing them from consumption, by refusing to release collateral for loans. These are the "frozen" loans which, it is charged, were withheld from farmers and others on the one hand, and which, on the other hand, are alleged as a fault against the Federal Reserve. Would the critics have the Reserve release the collateral without payment of the loans, or substitution of collateral? The Reserve has felt aggrieved by the non-payment of the loans, and its critics are aggrieved because it held the collateral. Such evidence as is cited above is worthless on its face. It suffers from the fact that it is not such evidence as that on which the Court based its approval of the Federal Reserve's procedure, not being the testimony of witnesses subject to cross-examination.

IT is no exaggeration to say that the par clearance system is on trial for its life. Mississippi, Louisiana, South Dakota, Georgia, and Alabama have enacted laws to prevent the collection of checks at par when drawn on banks of those States. The Mississippi law requires payment of exchange charges which the par clearance system of the Federal law forbids to be paid by member banks. The other State laws are permissive, not mandatory. Several State laws prohibit protest checks not paid at their face. Other State laws forbid right of action by law on such checks. Such State laws are repugnant to the right of Congress to legislate regarding national currency. The spirit of such laws and of the State Banks' Protective Association is that the majority of the country banks shall control the minority in number, but majority in interest, of the city banks.

The interest of all the banks is less than the interest of interstate trade as represented by the interests of buyers and sellers and bank depositors. If the Federal Reserve plan is not in the universal interest it is indefensible. If it is in such interest it would be a calamity to allow the country banks to have their way against the overwhelming preponderance of the more intelligent banking opinion. Therefore it is apropos to examine the service rendered to all bank customers everywhere by the cashing of their checks at par. The system is not confined to member banks. Country

banks can use the system through correspondence with member banks. Instead of availing themselves of this privilege, not a few banks have printed on their checks that they are not payable through the Federal Reserve Banks. Yet they complain when collections are made over their counters, and represent such procedure as the organization of runs upon them, and found support of their stubbornness in that respect in the decision of Justice Holmes.

THE public memory is short. Not everybody remembers that remittances between States were made only ten years ago by buying and selling domestic exchange, just as foreign exchange is bought and sold. Even after the national banks were organized there was nothing unusual about shipping currency in bundles, just as nations which are debtors ship gold in payment, under normal conditions. Domestic exchange charges varied in amounts in different places. Banks having to collect checks where exchange was high sent them to towns where exchange was low, and made the difference. In that manner checks were collected by long and devious routes, the longer were preferred to the shorter and more direct as keeping the checks outstanding for considerable periods of time. As the "float" is about a billion, the interest loss to some, and cost to others, was considerable. The opponents of par clearance wish this system to be retained, because, their spokesmen say, they need the money. They are entitled to it, if they earn it. But they are not entitled to profits earned by failure to render service, because they are so feeble competitors of the Federal Reserve that they cannot keep till money to redeem their checks across the counter. It is not even necessary for them to provide themselves with more capital, or to join the Federal Reserve system. They can clear through their correspondent banks.

The argument that exchange is earned by transmitting currency is baseless. Only rarely is currency sent. What is usually sent by checks is credit. A bank money order system failed because the banks could not compete with postoffices or express companies even at lower charges than their competitors. The reason is that bank hours are shorter, and their places of business fewer, so that convenience favored the other methods. So strong is this consideration that even before the clearing system was established banks found it necessary to make their checks payable at other more convenient places than their own counters. The country banks' contention that their checks are payable only over their own counters is false in fact and principle. Before the national bank era the New England banks installed the Suffolk system for the redemption of their checks at par elsewhere than over their counters. The national banks redeemed their checks at Washington. Boston established a country bank clearing system to promote the easier circulation of bank

checks. When it was the custom to ship currency instead of checks the postoffice and express companies charged their price to the man who sent the money. Now the country banks charge the man who receives less than the amount of his checks by as much as the exchange comes to. Thus the exchange charge is a failure of service to the banks' customers, and an undue cost to the owners of the checks who receive less than par for them. The abuses of the exchange system are many. Banks remit items separately in order to collect more than by remitting lump sums. They charge exchange for cashiers' checks, and collect exchange again when the cashiers' checks are collected. Exchange has been charged for remittances so small as to be made in postage stamps. There are cases in which banks have made considerable sums by swapping checks, each bank collecting exchange. Profits made in that way by hindering trade, and piling up its costs are not honest profits. If the banks cannot live without exchange charges they ought to collect it from those to whom they render the service, that is they ought to charge their customers for making their credit against the banks good anywhere. It is wrong to collect exchange from the man who receives less than the check calls for.

It is true that the exchange charge is a slight one individually. But it is great in total, not to mention the burden to trade. It is not true that the par clearance system merely shifts the cost from one set of banks to another. The par clearance system relieves trade from exchange costs of \$135,000,000 by abolishing it, at a cost to the Federal Reserve of \$250,000 for collections between districts. These clearances are made by telegraphic transfers upon a central gold fund at Washington to a total of \$74,000,000,000, on which exchange charges would be \$74,000,000 at \$1 per thousand. Collections within districts total \$135,000,000,000 annually, and exchange at the same rate would be \$135,000,000, or more than the total profits of the Federal Reserve Bank. That economy is a boon to trade, and should not be sacrificed as a plum for banks which obstruct trade rather than serve it. Telegraphic transfers of credit cost almost nothing, and save much time, that is to say, interest on funds in transit. Chicago funds collected from New York used to be outstanding four or five days. The mails have reduced the transfer of credit to two days. The telegraph manages it on the same day. It is preposterous to say that exchange should be charged because cash used to be sent in bundles. Now

currency is sent only as banks want till money, or when the country is surrendering excess notes for retirement. The Federal Reserve pays the cost of such currency shipments, as it does of check clearances. Naturally, New York makes greatest use of these modern facilities, and thus renders greatest service to trade. The central gold fund was established in 1915, and in that year New York made check settlement of about a half billion. In 1920 New York settlements were \$48,841,000,000. The country banks spurn the privilege of having their checks cleared on an equality with city checks. They would rather collect exchange, and abuse the Federal Reserve for taking away their unearned profits.

All checks must be cleared at par, or none. The Federal Reserve is forbidden by law to pay exchange. If all banks charged exchange the cost to traders is indicated above. The country banks which have secured an injunction against the use of their names on the par list would be hurt in more than their feelings if their names were published as not on the par list. If there is a par list open to all banks the customers of the banks would be likely to ask why their banks were not on it, and they would lose more by loss of customers than by loss of exchange. As the case stands, checks are cleared at par in 9 of 12 Federal Re-

serve districts, in 41 of 48 States, in all but 1,755 of 30,523 banks, covering more than 90 per cent. of all business done by the use of deposit currency. It will be lamentable if such a minority can overawe and overrule the majority in a matter of universal interest. They can prevail only by false arguments, and by statements straining the truth. Already the baneful influence of the worst sort of politics—financial politics—is felt by the Federal Reserve. It has complied with the law, and it is said that it is usurping functions, and dominating banks which should be proud to co-operate with it. The downfall of the first Bank of the United States is recalled, and gloomy prophecies are made regarding the fate of the Federal Reserve. There are pending forty bills to amend the system, to alter the composition of the Board, to control its policies and discount rates. Its charter expires in twelve years, and renewals of charters were denied to the First and Second Banks of the United States for reasons of financial politics. The same cause kept the United States too long under the defective national banking system, the mother of panics for all its superiority to what it succeeded. The par clearance system is a sizeable issue, but possibly a larger issue is involved with it, namely, the future of the Federal Reserve.

The Legislative Week in Washington

Special Correspondence of The Annalist.
WASHINGTON, March 25.

THE House of Representatives adopted the Soldier Bonus bill by a vote of 333 to 70. This is considerably in excess of the two-thirds necessary to pass it over a Presidential veto. The bill was in practically the same form as when it was objected to by President Harding and Secretary Mellon. Now it will go to the Senate. Bonus advocates contend that the bill, possibly with some changes, will pass the Senate. Opponents insist it will be delayed and killed. The situation admittedly is uncertain, and both sides are preparing for a hard fight.

Hope is expressed still that President Harding may be able to avert the strike of the coal miners, and an eleventh-hour move by the Executive as expected. Attorney General Daugherty says that in the event of the strike the Government will take steps to prevent violence and will make plans to see that no suffering results from the coal famine.

Secretary Hughes in identical notes to England, France, Italy, Japan and Belgium asserts the right of the United States to be paid, upon an equal footing with these countries, the actual cost of its army of occupation in Germany.

The long-delayed exchange of ratifications of the commercial treaty between

Paraguay and the United States, negotiated in 1919, took place at the State Department. The treaty is not to be binding, however, unless the exchange of ratifications is approved by the United States Senate.

Announcement was made that the United States will have no observer at the Genoa Economic Conference, but Ambassador Child will send reports. The Administration let it be known, also, that it believed American interests were seriously hampered by having no representative on the Reparations Commission. The hope was expressed that Congress would remove the ban.

The United States Supreme Court sustained the validity of the New York Anti-profiteering and Non-eviction laws. Justice Clark, in handing down an opinion, said New York State had not gone beyond its powers in passing emergency housing laws.

Orders were issued for the return by July 1 of all American troops on the Rhine.

The Administration let it be known that it hoped developments would permit an early recognition of the Obregon Government of Mexico. President Harding and President Obregon have been in personal communication for several months, and the chief barrier to recognition has been President Obregon's unwillingness to sign an agreement.

President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor says that the organization will have bills introduced in

Congress providing for the reclamation of deserts and swamps in the West to aid in meeting the unemployment situation.

Secretary Hoover was advised by cable that the economic reconstruction of Rumania was slow, and that budget deficits continued to exert a depressing influence upon the national exchange.

With all the importation schedules completed except those dealing with wools and dye, Republicans of the Senate Finance Committee are endeavoring to have the permanent tariff bill ready for the Senate by April 1. It is expected that foreign valuations will be determined upon finally, and this will be changed in conference between the House and the Senate to the American wholesale selling price of the imported article. It is hoped that the bill will be adopted in the Senate by June 1.

The War Finance Corporation announced that from March 20 to March 22, inclusive, it approved 102 advances, aggregating \$2,847,000, for agricultural and livestock purposes, and an advance of \$1,400,000 to a banking institution organized to promote export trade for the purpose of financing the exportation of cotton.

The Senate passed the Post Office Appropriation bill, carrying \$623,773,000, which was \$63,309,000 more than the House allowed, \$50,000,000 of this increase being for Federal highway aid.

Representative Sabbath of Illinois introduced a resolution in the House requesting the Administration to recognize the Republic of Lithuania.

Under a bill introduced in the House by Representative Lankford of Georgia, a Government corporation with a capital stock of \$500,000,000 to make loans direct to farmers would be created.

Senator Ladd of North Dakota introduced a bill designed to establish the right of States to supreme authority over all commerce within their borders.

Announcement was made that a public hearing on the Administration Merchant Marine bill will begin Tuesday, March 28, before joint sessions of the Senate and the House Committees.

The improvement of the navigability of waters of the United States by the prevention of oil pollution is the object of a bill introduced in the Senate by Senator Frelinghuysen of New Jersey.

Sugar rates in the Fordney Tariff bill on the basis of \$1.60 a hundred pounds for Cuba raw were approved after a prolonged fight by the Republican members of the Finance Committee, by a vote of 5 to 4.

A bill was introduced by Senator Robinson of Arkansas extending the authority of the War Finance Corporation to make loans to farmers and dealers in agricultural products and to extend the life of the corporation to July 1, 1923.

Under a bill introduced by Senator Ladd the present seventeen-year life of a patent would be reduced to five years if the patentee failed to use the invention, and to two years if the patent was sold and not used. The measure is designed to prevent corporations from buying patents and refusing to utilize them, thereby preventing competition and the development of improvements.

On the basis of the collection of income and profits taxes of the March 15 instalment, a shortage of \$200,000,000 in the estimated revenues from these sources for the calendar year 1922 was reported by the Treasury Department. Early statements indicate that not more than \$400,000,000 will be received for the first quarter, as compared with approximately \$728,000,000 for the corresponding quarter last year. The shortage may retard the Treasury's program for the reduction of the public debt, as appropriations made on the basis of budget estimates may have to be met for further Government borrowings.

Petroleum Production

DURING February domestic production of petroleum, according to the United States Geological Survey, attained a new high record, the daily average of 1,470,107 barrels being an increase of 78,462 barrels over the previous high record of January, and only once before in the last two years has the daily rate of production exceeded the daily rate of consumption. Although the daily rate of consumption and of imports increased slightly, stocks of crude oil (not including consumers' stocks) increased almost twelve million barrels. On the last day of February total net pipe-line and tank-farm stocks of petroleum east of California, gross pipe-line and tank-farm and producers' stocks in California, and stocks of Mexican petroleum held in the United States by importers amounted to 208,000,000 barrels, equivalent to 143 days' supply at the present rate of consumption. Although this is the largest amount of petroleum ever held in storage in the United States, it is of interest that the 163,000,000 barrels of petroleum held in storage in 1915, at the time of the Cushing overproduction, was sufficient to meet the requirements of consumption for 218 days.



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Washington Sees Better Times Ahead

Special Correspondence of The Annalist.

WASHINGTON, March 25.

THE question is being asked often in Washington whether the European nations are drifting toward an even more complicated economic crisis, which will have a direct effect upon agricultural and industrial revival in the United States, or are, at last, preparing to approach the problems of sane reconstruction in a spirit of progress and common sense. The refusal of the United States to send representatives to the forthcoming international economic and financial conference at Genoa, and, more recently, the tenor of the notes sent to Berlin by the Commission on Reparations, establishing the conditions under which a reduction would be made in this year's reparations payments, have served to bring the subject to the front.

It is distinctly the feeling here that conditions at home and in the South and Central American countries are favorable to a steady march to better times. What is going to happen in Europe—especially on the Continent—furnishes the chief source of concern as to the future. An official who is in touch daily with the developments in all of the foreign countries was asked by the writer for an expression of his viewpoint, taking into consideration the attitude of the United States toward the Genoa Conference and especially the notes forwarded by the Reparations Commission to Berlin, which, according to news dispatches, created "anger and dismay" in the Reichstag, and, if persisted in, might bring about the "fall of the Wirth Cabinet."

"I feel," he said, "that what I might term conservative optimism as to the future is justified, and that things in Europe are moving slowly in the right direction. Of course, those who would have Europe back to normal within six months are going to be disappointed. But there is nothing in recent developments which, upon analysis, should cause despair. In fact, there is much that is hopeful and which looks toward progress. The super-optimist is making incorrect deductions, but so is the pessimist, who would have you believe that worse chaos is ahead."

On the face of it the terms presented by the Reparations Commission, under which reduction and delay in reparations payments are to be permitted, scarcely would seem to meet fully the ideas of those—among them a number of far-seeing and influential American experts—who have been advocating a material modification of the demands made upon Germany under the Treaty of Versailles. For some months the contention has been made in certain quarters, which scarcely could be suspected of German partisanship, that the sooner France and other European nations came to accept the conclusion that Germany would not—and quite probably could not—meet the original conditions of the treaty as to reparations, the more quickly would order be brought out of chaos in Europe and progress made toward normal. A number of European statesmen, it is said, have been ready privately to accept this reasoning as sound, but political issues, especially in France, stood in the way, and they argued that whatever was done in that direction must be accomplished gradually, unless there was to be a political upheaval.

Former Premier Briand probably owed his overthrow as much to a willingness to join with Lloyd George in "easing up" on Germany as to any other cause, and some hold that the German issue was the real reason of his overthrow. Today Lloyd George would be still easier, risking his leadership on his convictions.

These facts, therefore, should be taken into consideration in weighing the results of the notes sent by the Reparations Commission. They are of interest also in connection with the following paragraph contained in The Associated Press dispatch reflecting the receipt of the terms in Berlin:

"In these quarters, however, there seemed to be a disposition to believe that the decision of the commission is not yet final, and that an arrangement may ultimately be reached more on the lines of the milder proposals of Sir Robert Horne, the British Chancellor of the

construction if developments in Europe are shaped along the lines of common sense.

America's refusal came as emphasis of America's position in regard to what should be done in Europe to bring order. It carried with it the knowledge that America was prepared, even anxious, to co-operate, if the Genoa Conference accomplished favorable results which might look to progress toward balanced budgets, reduced expenditures and sane plans for reorganization. It removed all doubt of the American attitude and created a situation which might be

Constructive accomplishment at Genoa accompanied by the ratification of the group of treaties accepted by the Washington Conference for Limitation of Armament—both developments confidently are expected in influential quarters here—and a modification of the reparations conditions, which some contend is forecast by the present attitude of the Reparations Commission, would seem to form the background for considerable "conservative optimism."

Exchequer, made at the recent meeting of the allied Ministers in Paris, which are reproduced in some of the afternoon newspapers today."

And equal significance may be read into a dispatch sent from London on the day following the publication of the Reparations Commission notes by Herbert Sidbotham, after a conference with Lloyd George. He was discussing Lloyd George's discussion on the Genoa Conference and brought in this paragraph: "True, the question of indemnities has been ruled out of consideration there (Genoa), but the remarkable ingenuity of Sir Robert Horne's proposals on inter-allied indebtedness and German reparations has laid a foundation on which good-will can build, and if we begin to build, America will neither stand aloof nor mock, but will take a hand herself. One cannot imagine any issue in politics at once so momentous and so clear cut as this."

With these questions in mind and the political difficulties taken into consideration, the conclusion may not be unjustified that the action of the Reparations Commission is, after all, a step in the right direction; an admission that Germany cannot meet the stern obligations of the Versailles Treaty, and a forecast that, when final agreement is reached, the conditions will be so modified as to meet some of, if not all, the recommendations of those who have been contending, for many months, that drastic alterations of the reparations terms are essential to the rehabilitation of Europe. Developments may prove the contrary, but for the present a part of the "conservative optimism," to which reference has been made, is based on this conviction. The least that should be said is that the notes sent by the Reparations Commission and the "dismay" expressed in Berlin should be discounted, at any rate until it is made known beyond a reasonable doubt that the decisions are final.

Men who advocated consistently that the United States should keep out of the Genoa Conference unless its conditions were met, also are asserting today that the disappointment which was expressed in many quarters in this country because of the refusal is unfounded, and that developments will supply proof of their contentions. There are no illusions abroad as to the reasons that guided America in refusing the invitation; in fact there is a perfect understanding among the statesmen. They know what the American officials want the European nations to do and of the readiness of the American Administration to be helpful and co-operate in European re-

construction if developments in Europe are shaped along the lines of common sense. It is the sincere hope in official circles that the refusal will hasten, rather than retard, progress toward European reconstruction, and, all things taken into consideration, this may very well be so.

Late reports and developments would not seem to indicate that there is any feeling of resentment on the part of European statesmen over the position which the United States took, but rather a clear understanding of the facts. The outcome of the Genoa Conference will prove whether European politics will permit results which will hasten reconstruction with America's aid at this time.

The importance which the American financier and business man places upon the fate of the arms conference treaties was amply illustrated in a report just made by the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Chamber of Commerce.

"We are convinced," this report read, "a rejection would tend to these evil results:

"A. Discredit representative government for years and make our system a by-word and reproach as having proved impotent to negotiate international agreements even when the initiative has been taken by our own Government.

"B. Renew the race for competitive naval armament and revive extravagant national expenditures and unbalanced budgets.

"C. Reinroduce chaos in commerce and industry; throw our slowly reviving agriculture back into the low price depression from which it is just recovering; close down anew our industries and swell again the area of unemployment."

If such dire results are predicted by defeat of the treaties, it is not difficult to realize the important results for progress and accomplishment which the Chamber of Commerce feels will be obtained by ratification.

There are other factors to be taken into consideration. America is in the strongest financial position of any nation in the world; conditions in South America are sound and the Scandinavian and other European countries were not left destitute by the war. Depression in neutral exchange rates is "sympathetic" rather than the result of damage done by the World War. Reports are not lacking here that Scandinavian capital has been employed to buy estates and enter the industrial field in Germany, and that there is no scarcity of money.

Some experts contend that the investment capital in the United States has scarcely been dipped into and, given a chance under reasonably safe conditions, would reach out for opportunity to

Europe. The recent period of speculation in the stock market, with the general upward trend of prices and the many million-share days, is given by some observers as an illustration of the fact that an almost unlimited supply of money is ready for investment purposes in the United States.

At the present time there is a very substantial interest being shown by American investment bankers in the South and Central American fields, and so many deals of large proportions are in the making that the Government has seen fit to pay more careful attention to the supervision of loans in order to see that American industry, so far as possible, shall be aided. Anxious inquiries are made as to the probability of the recognition of the Obregon Government, not alone by persons who have money already invested there, but by others who are prepared to invest new capital. Mexican recognition may not be far in the future.

Developments of a favorable nature in Continental Europe, it is felt by many experts, would be followed by a willingness of American capital to enter the investment field. There has been some of this form of investment already, but not on a large scale. Inquiries by well-known financial interests, however, have been increasing in numbers.

It would not require a very hearty shove to start the ball rolling, and that fact adds to the hope that better, saner times may be ahead. Certainly there would seem to be reason for the hope that the trend has started slowly in the right direction.

Help for British Export Trade

ENLARGED activities during 1921 are reported by the Foreign Samples Exhibition division of the British Department of Overseas Trade, which was organized to assist British manufacturers in expanding their export trade. The division's service includes the loaning of samples of foreign-made goods and also foreign catalogues to English firms, with the object of keeping them posted concerning character, quality and prices of foreign competitive products. It also makes suggestions for the benefit of British exporters and furnishes information to promote the export trade.

The division's increased activities on behalf of British export trade are indicated by these figures, received by the Bankers Trust Company from its English Information Service:

	1920	1921
Number exhibitions held..	17	31
Number British manufacturers attending.....	5,518	6,038
Foreign samples loaned....	1,717	4,940
Foreign catalogues loaned..	6,482	7,263
Export inquiries answered..	..	1,052

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The Need of Control for Foreign Investment

By John Oakwood

ONLY part of the story of the Government's interest in the question of foreign loan flotations in the United States was generally read into the non-committal announcement made last week by the State Department that it expected American bankers to keep it fully informed regarding negotiations for loans to foreign States and municipalities before such negotiations were completed.

The conclusion drawn by some from this action was that it was the purpose of the Government to keep an eye on credits extended to foreign interests by Americans to determine whether they were for constructive purposes that would serve to promote economic recovery in the borrowing countries, whether they indirectly served to release other funds in the borrowing nations for the upkeep of great military establishments contrary to the spirit of the Washington conference, or whether they were to be employed for unsound public expenditures or other purposes tending to retard the financial rehabilitation of the world.

While there has been no official intimation to such effect, one inference drawn from this was that this information, in so far as it related to Europe, would have a bearing on the development of the Government's future policy in respect to cancellation or other forms of leniency in connection with the allied debt question.

However valid these conclusions might be, it can be stated that the State Department is not the only branch of the Government which is taking a vital interest in these foreign loans. The Department of Commerce for some time has been studying, for instance, the question as to whether the proceeds of loans to other countries would be spent in the United States for the benefit of American commerce and industry or would redound to the benefit of interests in other nations competing with American commercial and industrial interests.

This is not to imply that the department has taken any stand as to how these funds should be spent, but, nevertheless, it is true that it is studying the whole question on broad lines. In other words, it is officially recognized at Washington that the time may be at hand for considering the desirability of formulating some sort of national policy for the United States in respect to foreign investments by the people of this country. The announcement by the State Department on this subject was as follows:

"At a conference held last Summer between the President, certain members of the Cabinet and a number of American investment bankers, the interest of the Government in the public flotation of issues of foreign bonds in the American market was informally discussed and the desire of the Government to be duly and adequately informed regarding such transactions before their consummation, so that it might express itself regarding them if that should be requested or seem desirable, was fully explained. Subsequently the President was informed by the bankers that they and their associates were in harmony with the Government's wishes and would act accordingly. The desirability of such co-operation, however, does not seem sufficiently well understood in banking and investment circles. The flotation of foreign bond issues in the American market is assuming an increasing importance, and on account of the bearing of such operations upon the proper conduct of affairs it is hoped that American concerns that contemplate making foreign loans will inform the Department of State in due time of the essential facts

and subsequent developments of importance. Responsible American bankers will be competent to determine what information they should furnish and when it should be supplied. American concerns that wish to ascertain the attitude of the department regarding any projected loan should request the Secretary of State, in writing, for an expression of the department's views. The department will then give the matter consideration and, in the light of the information in its possession, endeavor to say whether objection to the loan in question does or does not exist, but it should be carefully noted that the absence of a statement from the department, even though the department may have been fully informed, does not indicate either acquiescence or objection. The department will reply as promptly as possible to such inquiries. The Department of State cannot, of course, require American bankers to consult it. It will not pass upon the merits of foreign loans as business propositions nor assume any responsibility whatever in connection with loan transactions. Offers for foreign loans should not, therefore, state or imply that they are contingent upon any expression from the Department of State regarding them, nor should any prospectus or contract refer to the attitude of this Government. The department believes that in view of the possible national interests involved it should have the opportunity of saying to the underwriters concerned, should it appear advisable to do so, that there is or there is not objection to any particular issue."

IT was perhaps the clauses that the Government wished this information regarding loans "that it might express itself regarding them if it should seem desirable," and "on account of the bearing of such operations upon the proper conduct of affairs," and also "in view of the possible national interests involved," which gave rise to the interpretation that consideration of allied debt policies was connected with the matter. It may be added that the broader question of "dollar diplomacy" in general also enters the situation.

The whole subject of American foreign investment is now involved in far different and more important complications than ever before in this nation's history. There never was a time before the present when the volume of credit extended to foreign interests by citizens of the United States was of enough financial moment to require consideration of a general national policy in respect to it. Before the war the flow of capital was chiefly into the country rather than out of it. The problems of foreign loans floated here were adequately covered by the ordinary processes of the money markets. After the war began in Europe a tremendous volume of foreign loans was placed in this country, but the loans raised no particular question of policy as to whether or not they were good for American commerce and industry, since, of necessity and in their very purpose, they were raised to finance expenditures in this country for war supplies. Every merchant, manufacturer and workingman in the United States received, for the time being at least, the full benefit of such credits in the form of stimulated business, full employment and high wages. After the entry of this country into the war, foreign financing, so far as new money was involved, was taken over by the Government by means of its ten billion dollars' worth of loans extended to the Allies to finance war purchases here. Following the conclusion of the war it was universally agreed that foreign private debts, chiefly created by unfavorable balances of trade with this

country, would have to be largely taken up by means of American foreign investments, and a great many foreign financing and banking institutions sprang up in anticipation of this business. The foreign investment movement, however, did not attain the volume expected. The balance of trade continued to be enormously against Europe and a thoroughly unsound and increasing structure of floating debt was created. In retrospect it can be seen more clearly than ever that a foreign credit policy was urgently needed at that time, in view of these unsound debts, of the indiscriminate financing of non-essential consumption goods for export, of the high cost of living and of the inflation and overstrain of credit that resulted. But as a matter of fact, with orders flooding to this country from all parts of the world, with booming prosperity apparently forcing itself upon the country, it was impossible to make any headway in formulating a sane general course of action. Everybody individually was out for all he could get.

THE nearest approach to the formulation of a national foreign investment policy was the informal, tacit agreement among American banking interests during the latter phases of the post-war boom and in the period of reaction that it would be unwise to permit the entry into the money market of any large volume of foreign loans, while the strain upon American credit resources was so great and while American business and industry themselves were so urgently in need of accommodation. One significant result of this policy was that during the latter part of 1920 and the greater part of 1921 there was a great decline in foreign financing carried out in this country.

In recent months, however, the prophecy of a tremendous increase in American foreign investment seems to have begun to materialize, both by large purchases, on the part of Americans holding balances abroad, of European stocks and internal bonds, which have been a factor in the improvement, particularly of French exchange; and also by publicly offered bond flotations in this country, which have attracted the particular attention of the Department of State and Commerce at Washington.

The following schedule of foreign Government loans publicly offered in the United States since the war reflects the course of such flotations:

1915.....	\$1,275,000,000	1919.....	\$515,000,000
1916.....	1,380,000,000	1920.....	201,000,000
1917.....	800,000,000	1921.....	385,000,000
1918.....	640,000,000		

The increase of recent months, from month to month, and also as compared with previous corresponding periods, is shown by the following:

	1921.	1920.	1919.
Nov.....	\$20,500,000	\$10,000,000	\$9,000,000
Dec.....	31,000,000		22,500,000

From the December, 1921, figure of \$31,000,000 the total of foreign Government flotations here for January this year rose to \$73,500,000. There was none recorded for January, 1919; \$25,000,000 for January, 1920, and \$45,000,000 for the same month in 1921.

A large number of foreign financing plans are pending and competition of American bankers in the world money market for such business is becoming keen. Among these pending operations is the series of loans for Holland; Canada is expected to seek upward of \$100,000,000 here during the year; Cuba will, it is predicted, want \$50,000,000; Argentina wants \$50,000,000; Haiti, \$16,000,000; Nicaragua, \$4,000,000; Guatemala, \$5,000,000; Czechoslovakia, \$10,000,000; Bolivia, \$15,000,000; Montevideo, \$6,000,000; Peru, \$50,000,000; while many other

private offerings of as yet indeterminate amount, and particularly from Europe, are expected to appear in the market in large volume in the next few months. It is the application of these European loans, of course, that will be of particular interest in America in connection with the formulation of policy in regard to the allied debts; while the effect of private financial relations upon diplomatic relations plays an important part in respect to some of the restless South American nations.

THE operations in the United States since the war began and the debt position here in respect to loans through bankers of European national and municipal Governments, where the Central Governments are also indebted to the Treasury of the United States, are shown in the following table of publicly issued flotations:

	Issued Aug., 1914, to Jan., 1922.	Paid Off.	Outstanding Jan. 1, 1922.
England—	\$1,420,818,000	\$1,027,231,000	\$393,587,000
France—	505,000,000	611,965,000	193,035,000
Cities in France—	131,000,000	86,000,000	45,000,000
Belgium—	100,270,000	9,525,000	99,745,000
Italy—	56,311,000	25,000,000	11,311,000
Russia—	85,000,000	10,000,000	75,000,000
	\$2,587,399,000	\$1,769,721,000	\$817,678,000

The absence of a general foreign investment policy in the United States is in marked contrast to the very definitely developed foreign investment policy that was in vogue in England for several decades before the war destroyed all traditions of finance and credit.

This foreign financing policy in England was coupled closely with her business, industrial and shipping interests. At the outbreak of the war England controlled, directly and indirectly, 75 per cent. of the world's mercantile marine so that other nations were dependent upon her to move their goods to market. Also England exercised virtually absolute control of international finance, since the greatest accumulation of funds for international commercial and investment credit purposes was in London; surplus funds from all nations found their way there because it was known they could be most advantageously marketed there, and borrowers for large sums went there because they knew they would always find adequate funds available. Disposal of the greatest central volume of world funds, therefore, was entirely under the control of the British bankers. Britain coupled this great financial power directly with the interests of her manufacturers and exporters. Invariably a prerequisite to a foreign loan in London was that at least 75 per cent. of the amount borrowed be spent in purchasing goods manufactured in England or that it be used in some manner advantageous to British shipping or trade. Thus a foreign loan always brought business to England.

It cannot be said that those studying the question at Washington are contemplating any autocratic control by this country of funds loaned to foreigners, private or Governmental. The international financial situation of America today cannot be strictly compared in all respects with that of England before the war. There are points of striking similarity, however; for instance, England obtained her world financial supremacy in part because of the advantageous position she held in respect to the other countries of Europe following the Napoleonic wars. But she also built up her commercial and financial supremacy over a long period of years because of her rapid industrial development which made her the great factory of the world, importing vast quantities of raw materials and exporting tremendous values in manufactured goods. She also outstripped other nations in the development of her

shipping. Although the commodity balance was generally against England, the balance of indebtedness was consistently in her favor because of the vast volume of shipping and financial services she rendered the world; and, moreover, she largely reinvested the surplus payments due her, estimated at a billion a year, in the development of other nations, notably in the exploitation of tremendous natural resources of South America, Africa and elsewhere, and in the railroad expansion of the United States, Canada and other countries. Therefore, the funds that England loaned to other countries were largely employed for productive ends, in improving the living and working conditions of the world; there was a great measure of justification in her assumption of the prerogative to dictate, to a great extent, the employment of funds borrowed in London so as to redound chiefly to the benefit of her own nationals in her closely knit structure of trade, industry and finance.

AMERICA'S present position in world trade and finance is wholly due to the war. Before the war upset the established international relationships, America was a borrowing and not a lending nation. Although the commodity balance was greatly in her favor, the balance of indebtedness was regularly against her because of debts for shipping services to England and other nations, because of tourist expenditures and immigrant remittances abroad and because of dividend and interest payments to foreign holders of American securities. It is true that just before the war it was estimated that the substantial size

of our favorable balance of trade had about wiped out our current unfavorable balance of indebtedness, and in time we would perhaps have developed, without the aid of the war, a favorable total balance that would have converted us into a creditor nation instead of a debtor nation. But that would have been a matter of slow development and probably never would have placed the world so heavily in our debt as it now is, nor made its continuing requirements for accommodations from us at all comparable to the situation that has resulted from the war. Before the war our home money markets absorbed virtually all our own investable capital and also eagerly drank up large amounts from the rest of the world. This was employed in developing our natural resources and in creating our great transportation system and industrial plant.

The destructiveness of the war in Europe greatly altered physical relationships. Almost like a new and undeveloped country Europe requires tremendous sums to rehabilitate her destroyed industries and transportation systems. America, on the other hand, during the war and post-war boom, overbuilt in some respects her industrial equipment. Also during the war years Europe failed to create annually the normal sums of investable capital to finance her own development and progress. She has lost her gold as a basis for sound credit expansion, while America has gained more than enough for her own needs. Of necessity, therefore, Europe has had to turn to America for assistance.

Thus by force of circumstances not growing primarily out of economic financial, industrial, commercial and transportation service to the world as in the case of England, but rather growing chiefly out of the world's necessities and misfortunes resulting from the greatest of all wars, America has been placed in the position of a foreign investing nation to so extensive a degree as to require serious consideration of a national policy in this respect.

Due to the exigencies of Europe involved, it would undoubtedly be a harsh policy on the part of this nation to insist that the proceeds of credits extended by Americans should be spent exclusively or to any arbitrary extent in this market for the benefit of Americans. For one thing, that would deprive the borrowers of the opportunity to buy goods and supplies in the cheapest market; if American prices for structural steel or rails or raw materials were higher than in other competing markets, Europe, already burdened with tremendous economic handicaps, would be compelled to work out her reconstruction at a serious disadvantage. It would, in effect, drive her deeper and deeper into debt instead of assisting her to work herself out. It would destroy America's good-will among the nations of the earth, and would retard rehabilitation of Europe, would prolong the period of world depression and perhaps in the end result in greater financial loss to America than gain. For the world and for the benefit of the United States themselves, a liberal policy is indicated.

But on the other hand, there is much

to be said in regard to America's exigencies in the situation. It is to be remembered that America by no means is saturated with investable funds. There is still a tremendous demand for capital in this country to rehabilitate the railroads, to develop natural resources and to maintain the proper expansion of many of our industries. It is also necessary to keep our labor employed. The United States has been forced into the position of becoming a foreign investing nation before her time and beyond her volume. If circumstances require as liberal an attitude toward the world as possible, they also emphasize the need of a policy that will safeguard our own people.

IF Europe were to be allowed to borrow without limit in America and spend money in other countries, it would mean, in the first place, the imposing upon American business of onerous interest rates for needed capital; in the second place, it would mean virtually financing the business of the nation's competitors at the expense of our own industries and labor.

These are some of the considerations that make important the formulation of a general policy in respect to foreign financing in this country. There is perhaps no greater service which can be rendered to the interests of the nation, both financial, business, industrial and labor as well, than to keep correlated all the facts of every foreign investment in respect to the total situation as a basis for developing a sound national foreign investment policy.

The Week in Canada

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TRANSPORTATION matters have been much in the public eye during the week. In Parliament the tongue of every speaker has had more or less to say on the necessity of a readjustment of railway

freight rates. The Canadian Pacific is paying its way and earning dividends. The Canadian National Railways, whose system embraces 22,375 miles, is, on the other hand, in a sort of financial slough, and, although in the last six months its position has improved somewhat, it is recognized that a cut in its rates would handicap the process of further recovery. Some Western members would "cut the Gordian knot," irrespective of what might happen to the Canadian National System. The Dominion Railway Commission, after a rest of three weeks, is also again wrestling with the problem. The three prairie provinces—Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta—presented their case en bloc, and, like ex-President Wilson's famous document, theirs, too, mentions fourteen points. Boiled down to a sentence, they demand the removal of the discriminating rates obtaining against Western Canada and in favor of the Eastern provinces and a general reduction on the rates of basic commodities. But concurrently with the submission of these fourteen points for the consideration of the commission came a demand from British Columbia for an equalization of freight rates as between that province and the three prairie provinces. This the Winnipeg Board of Trade is strenuously opposing on the ground that a considerable reduction in the rates, especially eastbound, for British Columbia would give to mercantile interests in the Coast province an unfair advantage over Winnipeg merchants in such a consuming area as Alberta because of the short haul. The British Columbians may be said to rest their case on two points: They, on the one hand, hold that operating costs through the Rockies were not a fair basis on

which freight rates should be fixed, and, on the other hand, that according to the terms under which their province entered confederation half a century ago they were entitled to the adjustment demanded. In the House of Commons this week Hon. H. H. Stevens, Minister of Trade and Commerce in the late Meighen Administration, expressed the opinion that it might be well for Parliament to go over the head of the Dominion Railway Commission in order to reach a solution of the railway freight problem. Business men and farmers are in the mood these days to accept a solution from any quarter. But the difficulty is that no one, either inside or outside Parliament, appears to have a ready-made practical solution on hand.

A STRONG deputation representing the Board of Trade, the Chambre de Commerce and Shipping Federation of Montreal and the City Councils of Montreal, Quebec, Hull and Aylmer waited Tuesday upon Hon. W. S. Fielding and other members of the Cabinet, for the purpose of urging the Government to lend its assistance to the construction of the Georgian Bay Canal instead of the proposed St. Lawrence deep waterway scheme. It was urged in respect to the latter: (1) That it involved a sacrifice of national control of the St. Lawrence waterway as a navigation route; (2) that no sufficient data as to cost had been submitted; (3) there is no evidence to show that any economic gain would result to Canada; (4) that the expenditure contemplated is not warranted. In respect to the proposed Georgian Bay Canal undertaking, it was pointed out that it would entail half the cost of that of the St. Lawrence; would provide a route to the Great Lakes shorter by 300 miles than by the St. Lawrence system; would be entirely within Canadian territory, and would tend to develop the natural resources of Northern Ontario and Quebec. The route of the proposed Georgian Bay Canal lies by way of the Ottawa River from Montreal, Lake Nipissing and the French River into Georgian Bay—the canoe route to the upper lakes followed for centuries prior to the advent of railways. The Georgian Bay Canal proposal has been, with intermit-

tent passive periods, actively before the Canadian public for a number of years. Under the authority of Parliament a Board of Engineers was appointed in 1904 to prepare plans and estimates. The plans submitted in 1909 by this board provided for a waterway 22 feet deep, with a length of 440 miles, in which there were 28 miles of canal excavation, 66 miles of channel dredging and 346 miles of river and lake. There were to be 27 locks of a minimum length of 650 feet, with 65 feet clear width and 22 feet clear depth. The original estimate placed the cost at \$100,000,000, but this was subsequently increased to \$125,000,000. Early in 1914 another commission was appointed to determine whether it would pay Canada to spend \$125,000,000 upon the undertaking. This commission gathered a large amount of valuable data, but never really completed its labors, the war, for the time being at any rate, having diverted attention from the subject. At any rate, the industrial and commercial centres of Ontario were opposed to the undertaking. Hon. W. S. Fielding intimated to the deputation that while "there would be no millions appropriated for the St. Lawrence deep waterway project this year, if the United States wanted it Canada, as a good neighbor, would have to consider it."

The farmers of the prairie provinces are making a demand upon the Federal Government for the immediate appointment of a Wheat Board to control and market the Canadian product. Such a board was brought into existence in 1919. This board fixed the initial price of wheat at \$2.15, with the understanding that if profits accrued a distribution would be made at the end of the season. This distribution amounted to several million dollars. When the board was continued in 1920 it was with the disapproval of the Western farmers, they being of the opinion that they could obtain better results from selling on an open market. Last year the farmers, in view of there being a less satisfactory market, wanted the board continued, but the Government refused to concur. In their present demands for the restoration of the Wheat Board, as outlined by a deputation that waited upon the Pre-

mier, it was urged that nothing short of a compulsory plan would be satisfactory. That is, they demand that every farmer in the country should be compelled to sell his wheat to the board, and not a bushel on the open market. "It must be compulsory or nothing," declared the leader of the deputation. It is quite probable, in view of the dire condition of the farmers in the West, that a Wheat Board will be appointed, but it is scarcely likely that the Government will concur in the proposal to make it the only agency through which wheat can be sold.

THIS week Canadians have awakened suddenly to the fact that their coal industry may be disrupted with that of the United States by the strike order which is to go into effect April 1. At any rate, the only fields in the Dominion not likely to be affected are those in Nova Scotia and Vancouver Island. The miners in the former province are for the time being exempted, because, after a strike of two months or more, they have just returned to work under a tentative agreement to accept lower wages. The situation in Nova Scotia is, however, anything but satisfactory, for, although the miners have within the last week or two returned to work, they are under instructions from the Secretary of the local union systematically to curtail production, with a view to preventing the mining companies profiting from the cut in wages. This action has just brought from the Federal Minister of

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The Financing of the War and the Aftermath

By Dr. R. Estcourt

SOURCES of money for the conduct of war have been divided into nine classes: 1, a war chest accumulated in advance; 2, debasing the coinage; 3, subsidies; 4, forced loans; 5, tribute; 6, taxes as the war goes on; 7, borrowed money; 8, issuing paper money, and 9, Government business industries. The number of these heads might be reduced by amalgamating processes closely analogous. At the same time there is the possibility that the future might add another in respect of some yet undiscovered device.

Debasing the coinage and issuing paper money have much the same effect. The difference is more psychological than concrete. The former is the ancient device; the latter its modern counterpart. It is easier to call in paper money than to rehabilitate the coinage, but they are equally adulterations of currency. Forced loans are a tax on capital to the extent that they are not intended to be repaid or are repaid with less profit than the owners of the money could have obtained in a free market. Subsidies are the converse of forced loans, sums of money, voluntarily advanced as a gift or loaned at a rate below that at which the subsidized State could obtain them. When the subsidies are a free gift they have the same economic effect as tribute, being merely voluntary instead of compulsory or contract tribute. In these considerations the important point is not so much the classification as having in mind exactly what the name implies. The concept is the thing, its name is merely an agreed sign appended so as to facilitate discussion of the concept. In every discussion it is of vital importance to know at the outset precisely what concepts we have in mind, otherwise two or more people will be using the same word with different ideas as to its significance, resulting in mental confusion.

In the history of warfare we shall find that the war chest accumulated in advance is the oldest form of provision. Yet if that war chest was not sufficiently guarded by adequately armed forces it became merely an incitement to war instead of a protection. The larger the war chest the greater the strength of the guard needed, but also the easier to enlist and arm a guard. Thus we find ourselves to some extent compassing a circle of cause and effect. Political history is little more than the story of the accumulation of actual and potential wealth and of the operations of its guard. The growth of the two coincide with the rise of the State possessing them. Then inevitably follows one of three consequences, although every State hitherto has imagined itself immune, much in accordance with the proverb that "all men think all men mortal but themselves." The three consequences are an ever-increasing confidence until the guard becomes dangerously insufficient, or inefficient, and slow decay sets in, a sudden raid and seizure of the chest by a well-prepared overlooked force, or a war with some State that had attained to almost equal wealth and efficiency. In ancient times this war chest was always known as the King's treasure, the King in those days being the military chief, the word itself being derived from one signifying the most knowing, the one most competent to lead. The term war chest is quite modern, but it signifies precisely the same as King's treasure, the evolution from the earlier term being easily traceable. When the King was solely responsible he combined in his office that of paymaster of the forces. In England, soon after the revolution of 1688 the King ceased to be Commander-in-Chief and his delegate also absorbed the office of paymaster and handled the whole of

the military treasure. Thus we find the first holder of the combined offices, the Duke of Marlborough, maintaining his immense palace and retinue by means of a rake-off of two cents per diem in respect of each soldier, apparently considering this a suitable fee for management of the fund. That lucrative office was, however, soon taken in hand by a specially appointed State official at a fixed salary, whose accounts were duly audited. It is not recorded that any subsequent Commander-in-Chief enjoyed this kingly office.

It was a natural corollary of the establishment of the King's treasure that he should be owner of all precious metals mined or unmined. In virtue of this proprietorship he either leased the mines or worked them with slaves under royal officials. It has frequently been stated, with apparent truth, that every ounce of gold extracted from the earth has cost more to obtain than its exchange value. Gold mining as an individual industry would long ago have ceased except for the streaks of luck, for, although the average cost shows a loss on the enterprise, individual undertakings often show a large profit. Through being the owner of all mines, the monarch had to cover the average cost and therefore was almost compelled to get the work done by slave labor in order to make it remunerative. Occasionally higher-grade mines were leased to favorites who in their turn employed slave labor. In this way all coinage became the property of the monarch and one of the earliest devices for increasing the efficiency of the treasure in war time was by debasement of the coinage. This was, however, done secretly, so that the inflation of the currency should remain undetected as long as possible.

Subsidies were the next resort. Wealthy subjects of the monarch and wealthy friendly monarchs made voluntary offerings to aid in the expenses of the war. When these were considered to be not in accord with the ability of the subject, his faculty as we should now call it, forced loans were demanded and obtained, often under pressure of an unpleasant nature. From each tribe or State subdued by the King's armies tribute was demanded, which often consisted of a lump sum down followed by an annual payment. The alternative was slavery, the working out of the price in mining, while such treasure as existed in the conquered State was promptly looted. Taxes were the next resort. There is no need to expatiate on that term. Borrowing money is a process little over two centuries old. The system was invented by a native of Holland, to which country we are indebted for many financial devices. The process differs entirely from the old forced loans which were levied on selected individuals reputed to be wealthy, but lacking in gratitude to the State that secured their wealth. The modern system of borrowing arose about the same time as the transfer of the command of the army to a selected general. The State took over the whole liability, technical and financial. Thereafter loans were guaranteed by bonds issued by the State. The old forced loans were a personal matter between the subject and the monarch, concerning the repayment of which much tact had to be exercised, as a propitious opportunity for suggesting repayment frequently failed to present itself. The issuing of paper money is in one aspect an equivalent of debasement of the coinage and in another a form of bonding without an undertaking to pay interest. It is a State adaptation of the ancient private custom of issuing bills of exchange between merchants, the difference being that the State does not enter into

business so as to have anything to exchange, but merely floats what are accommodation bills that have the effect of diluting the genuine supply of such bills and causing a fall in their purchasing power, otherwise an inflation of currency.

Obtaining money from the profits of Government industries or the leasing of the same for a premium is both very ancient and very modern. It automatically arose in the early communal forms of government and, when monarchies were superimposed on these organizations, the communal industries theoretically became the property of the newly created State. Profitable monopolies were thus created, but the tendency was to farm them out until they gradually became private property. The employment of large numbers of prisoners of war, State-owned slaves, made government industries necessary, but the modern acceptance is in its socialistic application, which is less than a century old. This latter stage is a corollary of conscription, which is also a form of State socialism. Both may be traced to the free cities of the Middle Ages, where specialized industries with closely guarded secrets were established, industries in which every inhabitant was trained to take a part for the increase of the general wealth of the community. Simultaneously every male was compelled to take part in the defense of the city, and every female was conscripted to carry on the necessary work within the walls and to provide for the needs of the fighting men.

The only modern instances of a State treasure chest have been supplied by the German and Russian Empires. The former held \$425,000,000 at the beginning of the World War, the latter nearly double that sum, specially set aside for war purposes. A still greater treasure has since been accumulated in this country; more than seven times the German hoard. Whether this may be regarded as a war chest is dependent on the course of events in the future. It is probably the largest treasure ever accumulated by any State in any age. Outside of Asia, other chests are practically negligible.

Having considered the sources and growth of war funds we are a long way on the road to a comprehension of their consequences. These consequences may take a variety of shapes according to whether the road is steadfastly retraced, whether there is only a partial attempt to return to a pre-war position, or whether the circumstances are such as to be supposed to justify a clean slate, as was the case with France when she abolished her monarchy in 1789, and with other States similarly situated in later days.

THERE are three after-war phenomena that present a perpetual puzzle to uninitiated—repayment of debt, levy of tribute and unemployment. The explanation of all three, however, is to be found in the same set of facts. Why these three matters present themselves in a way so contrary to what the war would have led the ordinary person to expect is that war and its incidents are commonly regarded as wholly national, whereas they are largely individual. We talk of the wealth of the nation when what we really refer to is the wealth of individual members of that nation. We speak of the "average" income just as if every one enjoyed such an income, whereas the income of the majority is below that amount. We speak of the debt liability and the taxation "per head" when the liability can be the affair of only the property owners and the taxation also mostly the same, for there is no faculty available for taxation where an individual is on the margin of

subsistence, in other words, subsisting on an income based on the bare cost of living without any sum included for payment of taxes. In fixing a standard of living all fiscal experts regard as essential the inclusion of an allowance for the payment of taxes, if any demand for taxes is to be made from those limited to an income based on such standard. That large numbers must inevitably be so limited is an essential condition of modern civilization which would otherwise come to an end. The fact is that the debt is only theoretically owed by the State. As the collective embodiment of the people the State owes the money and its representatives are responsible for collecting the wherewithal for its discharge, but obviously there must be a much larger number unable to contribute anything for this purpose than there are of those who must contribute far more than the "average amount" which statisticians so glibly set forth. Again, the debt is not owed to the whole people but only to certain individuals, and, if tribute is recovered, it will be payable to those individuals and not to the State generally, while the war chest in the last resort no longer belongs to the monarch or the State, but to certain individuals who have first claim on it. Theoretically these can legally demand that it be divided up among them in proportion to their claims, but the State continues to hold the chest and pay the owners interest on their claims, a process not far removed from the forced loan of ancient days, and acquiesced in from precisely the same motives. The ancient war chests, or King's treasure, were the sole property of the State collectively, without any individual claim upon them. Undoubtedly the monarch in charge of them occasionally used the funds for his private purposes and could not be questioned openly, but this form of embezzlement eventually brought retribution, only unfortunately those who reaped were often of a different generation from those who had sown the seeds of the trouble.

ANATURAL assumption would be that after a war there would be a heavy demand for labor in consequence of the loss of so many that were previously employed. It had always been observed that a death in any undertaking made a vacancy for some one previously unemployed and it seemed reasonable to suppose that millions of deaths should make as many vacancies. Yet not only are there no vacancies created but there are more unemployed after than before a war. Curiously enough this is no new phenomenon. It was an every-day affair in the days of the Roman Empire, and to such history we must turn for enlightenment. In those days every war resulted in the importation of fresh hordes of slaves and in the home-bringing of immense quantities of tribute or loot. After the initial boost following victory prices fell rapidly, exactly as they are doing today. Those who were able to share in the tribute were able to buy more than they required, while slaves became so cheap that free labor had no opportunity for employment. It made no difference whether the slaves were employed at home or whether they were the workers of the conquered States engaged in supplying goods to discharge the indemnity levied on their States. The result in either case was that the State had to maintain its unemployed citizens out of appropriations from the tribute or on food grown in the subjected countries. Diversion and food, "bread and circuses," were essential to peace. It would have been quite useless to attempt to employ the citizens in manufacturing or agriculture, as there would have been no demand for the results at a remunerative price. Slave labor at home and abroad could provide all that was required by those possessed of property. Those who did not possess property and were

not able to be employed might threaten trouble, but they quickly learned that this was useless, merely providing an opportunity for killing them off and so saving their maintenance.

AFTER centuries of striving the remedy was found in the establishment of large numbers on vacant land where they had only opportunity for maintaining themselves. This device also had the result of distributing the crowds that had flocked to the cities. They were isolated and too busily employed in merely maintaining themselves from the soil to find time for getting together. The gradual cessation of foreign tribute made it necessary also to distribute the slaves whose liberation had been compassed by the Church. They, too, were spread over the land until the Middle Ages brought "the golden age of the common worker." It was a long, slow process and is not referred to here as a likely precedent to be followed, but as an indication of the forces that are working under other forms at the present moment as we strive to rehabilitate our shattered world. Because we call things by different names today we imagine that the facts have changed, whereas only their names have changed. What we have to do is to extract the concept from the tangle of words that has disguised its true significance. Then, with our modern appliances and greater knowledge, we easily should be able to deal with the difficulty. The need is to understand our problem; the solution is simple when once this is accomplished.

One of the strangest calculations has been fathered by The London Economist. Certain statisticians have included in war losses an assumed monetary value of the human lives sacrificed, assessing an English soldier at \$3,000, a French soldier at \$2,500, a German at \$2,250, and so on, thus arriving at an added loss of nearly thirty billions. The basis of this calculation is the average earnings of a man during the productive years of his life multiplied by the actuarial expectation of life of the individual. But obviously if we have millions unemployed who are unable to earn anything or to make any effective demand for commodities, how could we be better off with several added millions in a similar position? How could they have any cash value? There is a modicum of truth at the bottom of this well of fallacies, but under existing conditions few estimates could be productive of greater absurdity.

Today we are in this difficulty: If we import such goods as cannot be produced in this country they are of so exceptional a nature—mostly luxuries—that they could be bought only by those who demand such things, and the amount required to pay for them would be so relatively small that it would only imperceptibly increase employment for exchange purposes. If we import goods that can be produced at home, we should

be throwing more out of employment. If we remain in the world market, our effective buyers will satisfy their wants from foreign sources. There is an enormous balance of trade in favor of this country due to what is owed to individuals in this country by individuals in other countries, quite apart from national indebtedness. If permitted, the owners of these debts would naturally prefer to be paid in kind rather than part with more funds in purchasing from their fellow citizens here. Only by making it difficult or impossible for these imports to arrive can we prevent unemployed citizens here from falling into the estate of the free laborers of ancient Rome and requiring to be fed and amused out of the proceeds of tribute or taxation. If the debts were owing to the whole of the people of this country in equal proportions, the difficulty would be easily solved by a national holiday of several months' duration, during which the whole population would be maintained by the debtors residing in other countries. While we are waiting increasing numbers of individual creditors of the foreign nations are visiting the countries of their debtors and taking out in kind the amounts owing, to that extent reducing the indebtedness. This process has the same economic effect on this country as if the products thus consumed were smuggled into this country and consumed here by the creditors. Sifted down, the process resolves itself into this: Certain individuals here hold bills of exchange that by reason of tariffs and other conditions they are unable to convert. They take these bills to the country of their debtors, turn them into the currency of that country and use that currency for purchasing goods in the debtor's country, thus circumventing all inconveniences.

The immense amounts owing to the Government of this country by other Governments do not represent cash advanced, but war supplies manufactured or produced in this country at war prices. A very large portion of such amounts would therefore be profits. By means of Liberty bonds and other devices for raising the necessary funds, our Government took over the liabilities of the foreign debtors to that extent and paid our own people in cash for these supplies, debiting the several foreign countries with the amounts so paid on their behalf and at their request. Thus this whole nation has parted with its money to pay certain American citizens and corporations in full for the goods supplied at inflated war prices to the warring European Governments. The money has not left this country, as the uninformed might imagine. It has merely changed hands. While the business was being transacted, employment here was at its zenith and wages abnormally high. The abnormally high wages have been dissipated, incidentally enabling those with whom they were expended to reap fortunes, so that

there now remain in this country the profits on the original transactions and also on the sales to the recipients of high wages. The wasteful consumption by those who received the high wages is as much a dead loss to the world as the war materials destroyed in Europe. The actual loss is the raw materials and manufactured goods destroyed in Europe and the raw materials and manufactured goods wastefully consumed here. The prices of such articles today would be about one-third of what was charged for them and paid for them by the people of this country against the note of hand of the various European Governments who then desired to be supplied. Like a good many debtors to whom goods have been delivered at stipulated prices the European Governments, backed by their peoples, now regard what they have had as not worth the money charged. As between individuals this is a constant plea in defense of a claim for payment, and on it the courts sometimes reduce the amount claimed, but it happens here, as it often happens between individuals, that the actual claimant is a third party who bought the bills of exchange for full value in good money. Such a position legally precludes any dispute as to original values. There the case rests as regards the collection of the debts.

THERE are other aspects. An eminent professor of political economy stated "if the people were willing to continue the same sacrifices for a period of time equal to the duration of the war they could pay the debts in that time." This idea is fallacious. In the first place differences in valuations would make it necessary to continue the sacrifice for three times the period of the duration of the war, disregarding all questions of interest accruing during the extended period. The theoretical basis of the remark quoted is probably to be found in the idea that during a certain period the workers of one country supply the fighters of another with the materials necessary to their undertaking and that the process only has to be reversed at the conclusion of the war, the soldiers setting to work for a similar period to supply the materials now required by those who assisted them, a quid pro quo. It looks as simple as the case of the two ladies, one of whom worked to maintain her sister at college, and as soon as that one had obtained her degree she worked for a similar period to maintain her sister during a college career. This is an obviously equitable arrangement as between individuals, but it does not hold in national affairs. Nearly all our errors in this matter arise through regarding nations as units. One cannot receive tribute or subsidy or repayment of national debt in the same manner as such a transaction would occur between private individuals. If the money owing to this country could be paid in gold, as it theoretically should be paid, the sum would only increase the amount in our

war chest. Should the sums be paid in goods, such goods would not be distributed among those who worked to supply the original consignments out of which the debts arose; they would become the property of quite other individuals and would suffice to supply the demand for such goods during a longer period than that of the war, owing to the lower valuation. The result would be that there would be no work to be done in the lines filled by such goods. Much the same result would immediately accrue from payment in gold, as gold could be obtained only by our debtors selling to other nations than this and so taking away our customers and enabling our manufacturers to buy of such nations for gold at prices below what the goods could be produced for here. Such gold would then pass around the world and find its way back to our treasury. This is exactly what has been occurring. Asia has been taking gold from this country in exchange for goods and goods from European countries in exchange for gold; then the European countries have passed the gold to us with added amounts since recovered from working their mines. Thus indirectly we have been buying more goods from our debtors instead of receiving the amounts owing. In this way our trade has been curtailed and our war chest filled to overflowing. It is much as if a man sold his house in order to increase his bank balance.

The more closely we study this matter the clearer becomes the difficulty of adjusting the financial outcome of modern war which arises solely from the fact that we think in terms of nations as entities whereas business is all transacted in terms of individual members of those nations. It thus happens that an arrangement that might be good if it affected all citizens in equal proportions fails of its object when the individual participation is taken into account.

Matters will eventually adjust themselves by the gradual recovery through taxation of that portion of the public debt represented by profits to contractors, modified in its incidence to some extent by the normal growth of business. This process will be accompanied by a slow readjustment of production to accord with new demands that by degrees replace those superseded, peace demands instead of war demands. It is a long road, but under the circumstances no other presents itself at the moment. If there be another, the possibility of which it would be silly to deny, the best way to discover it is by carefully considering all the incidents of the present position. The more accurately we comprehend the nature of the difficulties of the situation the greater will be the probability of stumbling on a better solution. We shall certainly get nowhere by shutting our eyes to the facts and blindly dashing hither and thither shouting about coming prosperity that after all cannot ultimately amount to anything unless it be scientifically based.

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Labor, himself a union man, a stinging rebuke, in which he said: "In my judgment, it is un-British, un-Canadian and cowardly to pretend to be working for a wage rate in effect while declaring to the world that only partial, grudging service will be given."

The Alberta Provincial Government announces that it will call a special session of the Legislature in November for the purpose of enacting an income tax. It is to go into effect Jan. 1, and will be retroactive to the extent that it will tax incomes earned the last half of 1922. Like a similar measure before the Manitoba Legislature, it is proposed to impose a tax equal to one-half that at present imposed under the Federal Income Tax law. Under the latter, incomes in excess of \$2,000 are taxed all the way from 4 per cent. to 58.80 per cent., the latter being on incomes of \$100,000. The Provincial Treasurer of Alberta announces that it will be necessary to bor-

row \$17,500,000 this year, part of which will be for refunding purposes. Manitoba has a serious deficit, which it hopes to cover from the proceeds of its new income tax. Ontario, according to this week's budget speech of the Provincial Treasurer, has a surplus of over \$600,000 for the past fiscal year, but one of the opposition critics figures that instead of there being a surplus, there really is a deficit of about \$2,500,000. In the last fiscal year the total borrowings of the Ontario Government amounted to \$98,812,500, being the proceeds of bond issues and Treasury notes. Most of Ontario's borrowings were for provincial hydroelectric enterprises, which it is to be hoped will be revenue producers.

The Premier of Ontario has at last introduced his promised legislation for curtailing the activities of the Provincial Hydroelectric Commission in respect to the building and operating of radial railways. In fact, the bill takes away from

the commission the right to initiate such enterprises. Municipalities can embark upon the construction of radial lines by the formation of associations for co-operative effort if they so wish. And these associations can delegate the operation of their radials to the Provincial Commission, but the latter is not permitted to assume financial responsibility, while the bonds issued by the associated municipalities will not be favored as in the past with the endorsement of the Provincial Government. Under the new law the actual responsibilities of the Provincial Commission will be confined to the development and distribution of hydroelectric energy. It is estimated that had the commission been permitted to carry out its program for the construction and purchase of radial railways a cost of approximately \$200,000,000 would have been entailed. The commission has brought under operation in the past week another 55,000 horsepower

unit at the new Chippawa plant, bringing its present capacity up to 110,000. Other units are being installed, and ultimately the capacity will be 600,000 horsepower. The ultimate cost of the Chippawa plant is estimated now at \$80,000,000. This is so much in excess of the estimates of even a year or two ago that the Provincial Government has appointed a committee of the House to make an investigation as to the cause, although no one questions the honesty of the commission and its engineers. In explaining his reason for ordering an investigation, the Premier stated a few days ago that when his Government came into power three years ago an estimate which he called for fixed the cost of the Chippawa work at \$40,000,000, of which \$18,500,000 had been paid by then, leaving \$21,500,000 to be provided for. But instead of the latter figure there had actually been paid out, in the last two years, a total of \$42,500,000.

Reviews of Recent Books

THE FOREMAN AND HIS JOB. By Charles R. Allen. Philadelphia: J. P. Lippincott Company.

THE author describes his work as a companion to "The Instructor, the Man and the Job," and the foreman is the veritable *deus ex machina* of the story. He is the hero, so to speak, of the drama of labor around whom gather the responsibilities which make possible the perfection in industries of which Americans delight to boast. And it is no unjustified vaunt, for it is admitted throughout the world that the manufacturing plants of the United States are unsurpassed and that the skill of our operatives is unexcelled. For this we have to declare our obligation to those men who are the leaders among men, the foremen of the works. They understand their tasks and are enthusiastic in their performance because the credit of successful production is theirs. They are the intelligent intermediaries between employers and employees and with their responsibilities are associated a knowledge and a capacity which place them on a level with higher executives.

Mr. Allen's book is a dissection of the duties of the foreman, whose position he traces from early times, from the days of the old trade guilds when the superior workman came to the "fore." These foremen represented different working groups which frequently discussed matters relating to their respective occupations, giving origin to the conferences of foremen which are a feature today in almost all industries.

We have referred to the responsibilities of foremen of works. Perhaps the most important of them is that of dealing with dissatisfaction, in factories, as regards wages, management and general conditions. The foreman can make or mar the output. On him depends largely what Mr. Allen terms the "state of mind" of the team. Conditions, he points out, may be poor, but the morale may be good, and the head of the men makes the morale. It is the spirit of his men which he creates and maintains. He has got to be foreman, first of all, in consequence of his skilled superiority; that conceded, he retains his position by his influence and camaraderie.

We have chosen these points for comment because the greater part of this instructive volume is in a sense technical, and affords those for whom it is intended an enlarged view of their duties and of their responsibilities to those working under them and to those who employ them. Men having supervisory positions in any sphere of industrial activity may acquire from Mr. Allen's work a keener knowledge of what is expected by the higher executives and an extended devotion to their plants and their men.

ELEMENTARY COMMUNITY CIVICS. By R. O. Hughes. Boston: Allyn & Baker.

PRIMARILY intended for teachers of the seventh and eighth grades and ultimately for the benefit of their youthful charges, this informative volume by R. O. Hughes may be taken up with pleasure and profit by readers of books relating to municipal economics. Couched in direct, simple language there are numerous precepts on the duties of those who would be considered good citizens. The growth of a community forms a particularly interesting study, and while the sophisticated American may feel disposed to think lightly of the description and the facts relating to the development of cities, the boys and girls who are the backbone of the United States will be the better men and women for having had a teacher expound the cares of government, the necessity for armies and navies—pace arms limitations conferences—the danger of epidemics, the protection of life and property, the sources of our food supply, the work of the farmer, and so forth. Our young people will be able to read and understand the duties devolving upon citizenship if they are given chap-

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ters each day, and if this reading is, as Mr. Hughes suggests, accompanied by participation in the work of the boy and girl scouts, the Junior Red Cross and local improvement clubs, they will be well-informed citizens by the time they can vote.

If we have any fault to find with Mr. Hughes's work it is with his somewhat one-sided remarks on "prohibition" laws. He is, of course, quite right in urging obedience to the law, whatever its nature may be, but might he not have been regarded as a Tory had he lived in 1776?

PRINCIPLES OF RAILROAD TRANSPORTATION. by Emory R. Johnson, Ph. D., Sc. D., and Thurman W. Van Metre, A. M., Ph. D. New York: D. Appleton & Co.

THIS book is an amplification of Professor Johnson's work, "American Railway Transportation," prepared by him in collaboration with Professor Van Metre. It is full of matter of vital interest to the students of railway systems generally and those of the United States in particular. The work accomplished by the authors is scientific and technical and is also picturesquely historical. With the "Principles of Railroad Transportation" in his hands the student, financier, railroad official and all others to whom the constitution and organization of railways are of grave and intimate importance, will be enabled to imbibe a complete knowledge of what may be regarded justly as one of the most prominent of all industries. The authors have much to say on track and locomotive development, railroad capital, Federal legislation, court regulation, the problem of Government ownership, the public accounts and statistics of railroads, new problems, &c. The authors are unequivocally against Government ownership and do not hesitate to declare that under Federal operation the degree of efficiency reached by private corporations could not be maintained. The reasons are obvious and need not be repeated.

Pools and traffic associations come in for considerable comment. The writers explain clearly the results of rate and fare cuts and give examples. The chapter on the organization of railroad service, the management of the secretarial, law, accounting and operating departments, will be found of great service to those making a study of the inner circle of the companies, and to executives and the superior employees. That this work is of particular, rather than of general, interest, may be deduced from the group of questions and topics appended thereto. These have been discussed by the authors, and they are so categorically drawn up that the student may inquire of himself whether he comprehends what he has read and whether he has overlooked any particular point in the treatise.

WINNING THE PUBLIC. by S. M. Kennedy. New York: McGraw-Hill Book Company.

MR. KENNEDY is Vice President of the Southern California Edison Company and he is in charge especially of "public relations." That is to say, we presume his function is to conciliate the patrons of the company, to soothe them when irritated and to tell them pretty stories when the service of the organization is not exactly what is expected. Patrons, of course, are likely to go off at tangents at intervals and have to be won back to geniality. As a rule public utility bodies are not markedly grieved under customers' disappointments, but the company with which Mr. Kennedy is connected must be peculiarly susceptible. We are glad to think that there is one company in existence whose delight, next to taking our money, is winning our good will, and Mr. Kennedy demonstrates the best methods of attain-

ing that desideratum. What he tells us is very explicit and the only question is—Has the public any interest in, for instance, the cost of production of electricity? Mr. Kennedy's eloquence seems to consist of the usual press agent's commodity, accompanied by a wealth of detail, and it is rendered much in the manner of the illustrated songster. "The harnessing of the country's waterfalls concerns the public," cries Mr. Kennedy, and promptly there is a full page illustration of a waterfall belonging to the country. "The telephone is the door through which most of the company's patrons enter," boldly announces Mr. Kennedy, and, behold, there is a picture of a sweet girl at the switchboard. If "winning the public" is of importance, we are sure Mr. Kennedy can accomplish it. It is in Mr. Kennedy not only to command success, but to achieve it.

AMERICAN BANKING PRACTICE. By William H. Kniffin. New York: McGraw-Hill Book Company.

MANY books on the theory and practice of banking have been published recently and THE ANNALIST has reviewed the contents of the more prominent, especially those bearing on the larger ramifications of banking institutions. Mr. Kniffin's book is admittedly devoted to the interests of students, bank employees and others desirous of understanding the practical operation of a banking house. The story is told consecutively and with great minuteness. The functions of a bank, the duties of tellers, collection of checks, bank accounting, foreign exchange and letters of credit, bank organization and administration and other phases of a bank's activities are dealt with and carefully explained. The book is a pen picture of the ordinary bank, and young men desiring to adopt banking as a business or of being associated therewith in any capacity will find in Mr. Kniffin's data much information which will be useful.

THE INTERNATIONAL PROTECTION OF LABOR. By Boutelle Ellsworth Lowe, Ph.D. New York: The Macmillan Company.

THE people of the United States are asked by Dr. Lowe to do more than they have hitherto done "toward treating labor problems in an international way." The people of the United States will probably, in the long run, understand how to deal with the complexities represented by trade unionism and its unfavorable developments, without resorting to coalition with foreign labor agencies. Legislatures in this country have accomplished much in the direction of humanizing labor conditions, and it appears to us that labor is strong enough in the United States to assert its rights and privileges in all directions, with or without regard to the claims of capital.

If the international protection of labor were invoked for no other purpose but that of pure benevolence no man would deny it to the nationals of any country. Dr. Lowe, who is a large-hearted man, may be assured of the sympathetic attitude of even the capitalistic world if nothing more were asked for today than the total prohibition of work of boys under 10 years of age and of females under 12; the limitation of their work to six hours in twenty-four, until 13 years of age; limitation of the work of adults to twelve hours in twenty-four; proper regulation of unhealthful and dangerous trades. Most of these reforms are accomplished facts, although much has happened since workmen were satisfied to work twelve hours out of twenty-four. Internationalists today call for something very different. The very modest requirements of labor cited have been supplanted by demands which employers, feeling their helplessness, have been compelled to grant, and every international

labor conference bestows additional favors on the workers, often without any regard to conditions. Dr. Lowe gives us accurate details of these conferences, held from time to time, and he is good enough to describe as "detractors" those who are not aroused to enthusiasm by the movement for international protection. Furthermore, Dr. Lowe is of the opinion that "those who are familiar with the history of industry know that employers, under the urge of competition and in devotion to their own profits, have been careless of the rights of labor, and to that degree has the field of industry in which they might exercise their own free will been constantly narrowed by the hands of Government." But Dr. Lowe does not condemn the horde of capitalists entirely: "There are unnumbered directors of industry heartily in favor of protective labor law for the sake of industry as well as of labor."

We will credit Dr. Lowe with all sincerity for his insistence in promoting internationalism in labor, but agreements among the workers of the world to obtain from employers the best working terms and from Legislatures stringent laws enforcing them, might be productive of dangers capable of affrighting even the more benevolent friends of the proletariat. Internationalism in labor seems to be a perfectly unnecessary influence.

There are, we need hardly say, occasions on which international conventions may serve to redress sporadic grievances, and these no reasonable being could object to. But what Americans, and not narrow-minded Americans, discern in this internationalism, is the tendency to aggravate the intensity of labor's hatred for the employer, a hatred which is being constantly warmed by labor leaders whose responsibilities may or may not be defined by labor organizations.

THE TEACHINGS OF COMMERCIAL SUBJECTS. London: Sir Isaac Pitman and Sons, Ltd.

THIS is one of a series of useful little volumes designed to assist teachers of economic subjects in Great Britain. It is also of equal value in the United States, where courses in commercial curricula are commoner than in the older country. In the volume under notice are sections treating of the theory and practice of commerce, the teaching of commerce, accounting, banking and finance, warehousing, business training and correspondence, commercial geography and its value, corporation law, insurance, &c. There is also a chapter on "Commercial French" which will be appreciated by many correspondents whose duties include communication with merchants in France. Teachers will be pleased with this modest treatise, which will be found helpful both to them and their pupils.

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The Annalist Barometer of Business Conditions

NEW developments of the past week continued to be of a conflicting character, but the unfavorable developments stood rather more prominently to the forefront than for some time past. The passage of the Soldier Bonus bill by the House, the threat of the tying up of the coal mines of the country on April 1 and unsettledness in international affairs due to the reparations situation, are all a bit disturbing, even though there is no crisis involved. It is probably fair to assume that the Bonus bill, passed overwhelmingly, will come to its deserved fate in the Senate, and there is still time elapsing before April 1, so that it is possible that the impending coal strike may be overcome. Furthermore, the reparations question, while upsetting Germany in particular, and tending to create unrest in the neighboring countries, will probably work out to better advantage for the allies, and in the long run Germany may attain some degree of benefit through the possible settlement of the reparations differences for all time and the establishment of a continuing and effective basis for collecting the moneys due the Allies.

In this country events are still running at cross purposes. For instance, there is the textile strike in New England, but as against the complete tying up of industry in that quarter there is the steady improvement shown in iron and steel, which has brought about a situation whereby the Steel Corporation is operating at about 70 per cent. of capacity. This, as compared with the level of capacity, would mean about 100 per cent. The betterment that has been taking place in iron and steel has been by slow stages but the improvement as measured in terms of percentages has rolled into a really noteworthy figure. For instance, the Steel Corporation was operating at 20 per cent. capacity last July, and many of the independents were completely shut down. The average of the Steel Corporation for the entire year was only 48 per cent. of capacity, the lowest on record in the history of the company. This, of course, does not mean that the production of the Steel Corporation in 1921 was lower than in the earlier years of the organization for capacity then was not so high as in 1914 and was far below the present day capacity.

There is no doubt that steel to a large extent is a barometer for the industries of the country and on the showing that has already been made, there is reason to expect a continuance of the confidence which has been so manifest in the last several months. It would hardly be possible that the upward trend of business could attain an even level of development, hence the fact that spotty situations are to be discovered simply serves to show that the forces making for constructive effort cannot be so aligned as to apply to all industries at once.

The money market and the securities markets all show improvement. To be sure there has been some hesitation recently in the stock market, but the bond market has continued its upward trend with a power of absorption for new securities which apparently has not been overtaken in any degree. Money remains easy with a plentiful supply of funds, although the call rate rose last week to as high as 5½ per cent. The ease in call money during the first part of the week was a reflection of the March 15 income tax payments. What the cost of money is to be in the next few weeks may be open to some doubt, for the time is approaching when interior demands will probably make for a scarcity of funds in the financial centers. The call of the planting season has already been reflected in some quarters but on the whole it seems that there will be no scarcity of money for the legitimate purposes of business, or for that matter, for speculative purposes, for some time to come.

The fact that prices for farm products have been rising portends well for the business of the country since there will be increased purchasing power in the agricultural community. The unfortunate differential between the price which the farmer receives for his product and the retail price which he has to pay for necessary goods is being wiped out. For instance, prices of sheep have recovered some 125 per cent., cotton about 75 per cent., and wheat 40 per cent. from the low levels.

Stocks

THE stock market last week met with the reaction which had so long been expected. The decline was not precipitate, but there was a heaviness throughout the list in all but those issues which are so closely held as to represent in their price movements little more than investment purchasing. The speculative class of stocks was evidently suffering from an overbought position. It has been realized all along that the technical position of the market was working into a weakened state because of the preponderance of effort on the wrong side.

With a plentiful supply of time money, pools were enabled to buy stocks, and in conjunction with this there was undoubtedly a goodly proportion of buying which represented purchases for the long pull. It must be remembered, however, that a wide public participation has been lacking in the market and that once stocks began to get out of the class of bargains, investment purchases fell off and there was a coincident endeavor by speculative holders to realize profits. Together with this was the normal opposition which the market rides into after any prolonged advance, when short lines are put out in anticipation of the expected reaction. It is probable that this short interest was of considerable proportions, and this may account for the fact that prices did not decline more sharply, the taking of profits by the covering of short contracts providing a buffer against the sale of long stock.

The action of the Northern Pacific Directors in reducing the dividend from 7 per cent. to 5 per cent. was undoubtedly a disturbing element in the market. Expectation that a dividend change might be made existed in some quarters, but on the whole the Street was inclined to consider that any change in the dividend would be carried out at a future time and that to provide against the necessity of a decision on dividend policy now the Directors might adopt the plan of the Great Northern and change the dividend rate from quarterly to a semi-annual basis, so that the matter would not come up for action until three months hence.

Apparently, the Northern Pacific Directors considered that since earnings were poor their decision might just as well be made at this time, as it would hardly be feasible to dip further into surplus to cover a deficiency in income account. It must be remembered that while many of the railroads

show in their balance sheets large surplus accounts, this surplus is in many instances not liquid, and the continuation of a policy of cutting into surplus might readily jeopardize the cash position of the road. There are short corporations among the industrials which could well afford to dip into surplus to meet dividend requirements, but a large portion of the Steel Corporation's surplus is in liquid shape, easily turned into cash by a sale of securities in the market. And the securities in the hands of the Steel Corporation happen to be largely Liberty bonds and certificates of indebtedness.

The action of the Great Northern, no matter how much justice and business wisdom there may be in it, was undoubtedly a blow to the railroad stocks. Speculation in rail issues had gotten under way and this was tipped off short by the dividend cut. The fact that Northern Pacific did reduce its dividend is, however, not an act which presumes any abatement of the improvement which has been taking place in railroad income in general, whether brought about through economies or through increased traffic. Earnings are improving and probably will continue to improve. The carriers have been called upon to face a long period of lean earnings, and ultimately there must be retrenchment in dividend policy if the roads are to be in a strong financial position. It is probable that where dividends have been cut a return to the higher rate will be made when the business is only natural of such scope as to provide the necessary railroad net income to pay such dividends.

There is one class of stocks which appears to have touched the peak for the time being. This applies to the motor shares. The Spring demand for cars exceeds that of any other class of goods, and it is only natural to assume that when this demand becomes assertive prices of automobile stocks on the various exchanges will rise as a reflection of the improved earnings. But after June the automobile business will undoubtedly slow down, and the present prices of the shares it is, therefore, discounted the benefits of the Spring demand.

Bonds

THE bond market gave unmistakable evidence of a strong undertone during the week just passed. Quotations for securities of all classes made encouraging advances and the demand was reported as excellent. In this movement the Liberty issues and the more speculative railroad bonds were the worthy features. On Wednesday afternoon and Thursday a series of unsettling developments occurred, including a sharp advance in call-money rates, falling off in quotations for sterling and franc exchange, passage of the Soldiers' Bonus bill in the House, and the reduction of the Northern Pacific dividend. Any one of these would have had a dampening effect on a soft market, but prices, with few exceptions, remained firm to the close.

The demand for new issues continues unabated. Offerings last week, in moderate volume, were rapidly distributed. Among the more important were: \$4,000,000 City of Soissons fifteen-year external reconstruction 6s, due 1936, at 85½, to yield 7.45 per cent.; \$1,000,000 City of Dayton school district 5s, due serially 1923-1946, at prices to yield 4.60 to 4.90 per cent., according to maturity; \$1,000,000 City of Louisville 5 per cent. school bonds, due 1922, to yield 4.30 per cent.; \$1,500,000 City of Seattle Municipal Light and Power 6s, due 1924 to 1942, at prices to yield about 5.10 per cent.; \$900,000 City of Lansing, Mich., 4½ and 5 per cent. bonds (the 4½s mature 1930 to 1936 and were offered to yield 4.40 per cent.; the 5s are due 1923 to 1932 and were offered at prices to yield 4.60 to 4.40 per cent., according to maturity); \$478,000 City of Nashville 5 and 6 per cent. bonds at prices to yield 4.60 to 4.80 per cent.; \$18,000,000 Missouri Pacific first and refunding mortgage 6s, due 1949, at 98½, to yield 6.10 per cent.; \$3,000,000 First Joint Stock of St. Louis 6s, due 1951, optional 1931, at 102 and interest, to yield 4½ per cent. to the optional maturity; \$425,000 Passaic County, New Jersey, 4½ per cent. bond, due 1923-1941, yielding 4.40 to 4.25 per cent., according to maturity; \$400,000 Charleston, W. Va., 5 per cent. school district bonds, due 1921-1929, to yield 4.62 to 4.70 per cent.; \$3,000,000 Southwestern Power and Light Company 6 per cent. debentures, due 2022, at 89, to yield over 6.70 per cent.; \$2,000,000 Municipal Gas Company of the City of Albany first mortgage 5½s, due 1932, at 104½, to yield 5.20 per cent.; \$1,000,000 State of South Carolina 4½ per cent. notes, due 1925, at 100, and several smaller municipal issues.

Liberty bonds advanced steadily, quotations in each case, except Victory 4½s, being fractionally higher at the close than at the beginning of the week. More activity developed among municipal bonds as the week progressed. Many issues have been on dealers' shelves for several weeks, were disposed of, in some instances at advanced prices. Interest in Federal Farm Loan and Joint Stock Land Bank bonds is very keen at the present time. It is reported that legislation making bonds of this kind legal investments for savings banks in the State of New York has passed both houses in Albany and is now before the Governor for approval.

Advances were general throughout the entire railroad list, the largest gains being made by the cheaper issues. Strength of New Haven bonds—particularly the new extended 7s, traded on the Curb, which jumped from 79 to 84 on Wednesday and closed at 81½, a gain of 2½ for the week—indicates general expectation of the success of the plan for extending that road's April 1 maturities. Talk of consolidation of the Ann Arbor Railroad with the Pere Marquette, confirmed by the presence of accounts of the latter road's bonds in the books of the Ann Arbor, resulted in advanced prices for securities of both. Ann Arbor 1st 4s jumped three points, to 68, and Pere Marquette refunding 5s gained 1, to 93. Reduction of the Northern Pacific annual dividend rate from 7 to 5 per cent. was reflected in the declining quotations for the road, the refunding and improvement 6s losing ½, to 100½. Northern Pacific-Great Northern Joint 6½s fell ¼, to 106½. Missouri, Kansas & Texas prior lien 5s gained ½, to 82. Erie issues all were strong, as a result of approval by the Interstate Commerce Commission of a new refunding plan. Erie prior lien 4s rose ½, to 61½, over the books, gained 1¼, to 63½, and the convertible B 2s advanced about a point, to 39½. St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern, River and Gulf Division 4s continued their rise, advancing

½ to 78½. St. Louis-San Francisco prior lien 4s gained ¾, to 70½. Virginian Railway 5s rose ¼, to 93½. The new Missouri Pacific 6s closed at 99, ¼ over the offering price. St. Paul refunding 4½s rose ¾, to 58½. Chesapeake & Ohio convertible 3s gained 1½, to 88.

Quotations for public utility issues advanced with the general trend. Investment bankers report an increasing demand for securities of this class, due to encouraging statements of earnings, resulting from decreased operating costs. The recent report of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company is a good example. It shows an increase in gross revenues for 1921 of \$2,500,000 and a gain of \$2,000,000 in net. The local traction issues were very unstable. They fell at the opening on the Manhattan Railway's threat of receivership for the Interborough, resulting somewhat when the Interborough made formal application for an advanced fare and declining at the close, when that application was flatly denied. Third Avenue refunding 4s, at 64, were up a fraction; Manhattan Railway 4s rose 1½, to 60½, and Interborough 5s fell a point, to 60½. Hudson and Manhattan refunding 3s gained 1¼, to 70½, and the income 5s jumped 2 points, to 60½.

Among the industrials the tone was stronger. Quotations were irregular, fluctuating with publication of annual reports for the corporations concerned, but changes in price were generally small. Western Electric Company's earnings for 1921 in excess of those for the previous year, and the 5s gained ½, to par, while the 7s rose ¾, to 106½. Julius Kayser 7s advanced over two points, to 99½. Chile Copper 7s gained ¾, to 101½, but the 6s lost a fraction, to 85½. American Sugar Refining Company 6s for a fraction, while the Cane Sugar 7s and 8s dropped 3 and 3½, respectively, on news of the possible continuation of the present tariff. United States Rubber 5s gained ¾, to 87, and the 7½s rose a fraction, to 105. Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company 7½s were active again, gaining a point, to 96. Foreign Government issues continued their general advance. Securities of the United Kingdom 5½s of 1922, having an exchange feature, naturally followed quotations for sterling and francs, but the dollar issues displayed great strength. In this class Swiss 8s were notable, gaining ¾, to 119½. French 7½s rose ¾, to 102½, and the 8s rose a like fraction, to 107½. Kingdom of Denmark 8s advanced a point, to 110½. Chile 8s of 1946 rose ¼, to 104, and State of Sao Paulo 8s gained 1½, to 104½. Berne 8s, Zurich 8s, and both issues of Danish municipal 8s, all made substantial gains.

Shipping

A NEW low price for steel tonnage of American registry was recorded last week when the Shipping Board sold the two tankers, Mary and Catherine, sister ships of 2,385 deadweight tons, to A. H. Hull & Co. of New York, for \$151,000, at the rate of \$23 a ton. The ships are the ex-Lake Munroe and the Lake Greenwood. They will be employed in the West Indian trade. Bids submitted by the Barber Steamship Line for five freighters, including the William Penn, the lone motorship in the Government-owned fleet, were rejected on the ground that they did not reflect the true value of the ships.

The Shipping Board sold the steamers for perhaps one-third of their replacement value. This was thought to have been below the world market price. However there is a vast surplus of ships of this type in the state-owned fleet and it is readily recognized that the Government will never be able to dispose of a fall of them. A price of \$30 a deadweight ton has been placed upon the best tonnage in the Shipping Board fleet, according to Chairman Lasker.

The liquidation program of the Shipping Board is being followed out. Announcement was made last week that mortgages on the Dundalk housing project near Baltimore, having a face value of \$1,900,000 and drawing interest at the rate of 5 per cent., had been sold for cash to Edward H. Bouton of Baltimore for \$1,550,000. It is understood that mortgages on other housing projects, the individual buildings in which have been sold at auction, will be advertised for sale in one block. It is understood that the Shipping Board is in need of funds and proposes to follow this policy in order to operate until July 1 on the \$44,000,000 appropriation granted for the fiscal year 1922, with the additional revenues derived from the sale of surplus materials and housing properties, which were built incident to the shipbuilding program.

Hearings will start tomorrow before the Joint Congressional committee on the ship subsidy legislation. Chairman Lasker will open the plea of the Shipping Board for the amendments to the Merchant Marine act of 1920, which will include direct aids calling for direct appropriations of about \$40,000,000 a year, indirect aids calling upon the Treasury for the redemption of \$10,000,000 annually and a number of indirect aids. There is even indication that the Democratic Party will be almost solidly aligned against the legislation, and its passage in the present form is considered doubtful.

Chairman Lasker has indicated that he will go further in suggesting legislation, by advising that some action be taken by Congress to dispose of the unsalable tonnage. It is recognized by the officials that there is not enough capital in the United States to absorb the vast amount of tonnage, which the Shipping Board will seek to sell. Furthermore not more than 5,000,000 deadweight tons is regarded as economically fit for commercial operation. While Shipping Board officials plan an American merchant fleet of 7,500,000 deadweight tons, the most expert and experienced shipowners think a fleet of 4,000,000 tons would be more likely as a maximum merchant marine. It is understood that Chairman Lasker will recommend the sale of all adaptable tonnage to American owners. After this market has absorbed all that is possible, he will urge the sale of seaworthy and staunchly built hulls in which internal combustion engines may be installed. After offering the remaining ships in the foreign market, with the express understanding that they will not be sold to American ports, the Chairman is reconciled to the belief that those left should be dismantled and scrapped. The shipowners insist that they must be assured, before investing in ships, that the Government will not throw this remaining tonnage on the market and enter into competition with them.

Reversing its position, the Shipping Board has announced that it will hold hearings before putting into effect Section 28 of the Merchant Marine act. This section provides

that, when adequate American services are offered from American ports to foreign countries, the Shipping Board may certify this fact to the Interstate Commerce Commission, which will then issue an order forbidding the railroads, serving these ports, from granting preferential rates on export and import freight, unless moved overseas in ships of American registry. This would have a great effect upon the Pacific and Gulf ports. Previously it had been held that the Shipping Board had no alternative but to certify that adequate services existed when it was satisfied on this score. However, it is apparent that Chairman Lasker does not want to antagonize any section against the Shipping Board with ship subsidy legislation pending before the Congress.

American ships carried 32.9 per cent. of ocean-borne imports during the month of January, and 38.9 per cent. of the exports, according to the Department of Commerce. In the point of all tonnage entered 50.4 per cent. was of American registry and 51.45 per cent. of that clearing flew the Stars and Stripes.

Foreign Exchange

THE foreign exchange market of last week was dominated by the decline in the mark, which sold as low as 29½ hundredths of a cent. The advance in the figure on last Wednesday of 32, and as compared with the low figure of 33 in the November market of last year, which stood as the low up to last week. This fresh decline is undoubtedly a reflection of the latest developments in the reparations situation and of the fact that Germany will be forced to levy. Up to the present the mark within Germany has had a higher value than in the international exchanges, and it may be that this difference will be wiped out by the renewed weakness of the currency. It is not altogether clear what force is strongest in making for the decline in marks. Probably that which is taking place on a larger scale than ever before is the sale of marks by Germany. This fresh weakness, succeeding as it did a fair advance, has probably raised doubts as to the ultimate outcome of the monetary situation in Germany and not a few Germans are transferring their balances into other currencies, or into gold, in order to avoid the loss of their money. This is a heavy disposal of marks which were held for speculative account.

If this weakness in marks continues it would tend to further embarrass Germany in her endeavor to re-establish her manufacturing industries. The sale of raw materials is a necessary adjunct to any revival in Germany, and if handicaps are placed upon foreign purchases through a declining value in the mark it would be natural to expect that the effect would be infiltrated through the entire German industrial structure. Probably it is the realization of this which is causing the transfer of balances to other currencies. At all events, Germany will merely be meeting in the indemnity situation a question which heretofore she has been evading, and which now is to be put up to her squarely with no quibbling as to the outcome.

The recovery in sterling following the weakness of some days ago is evidence of the highly improved position in which England finds herself. The setback was of only temporary character, possibly due to realizing sales by speculators, and last week sterling was up as high as \$4.40½, not far removed from the high for the year.

Textiles

The spread of labor troubles from important cotton mills in New England to woolen mills in the same section of the curtailment of the announcements of sharp curtailment of production by leading producers of silks were easily the features of the textile trades last week. Both meant the same thing—that thousands of pieces of goods would be taken from the market. From the manufacturers' point of view that but a very desirable thing at present, but if the reduction in output continues for any length of time it may prove to be anything but an unmixed blessing.

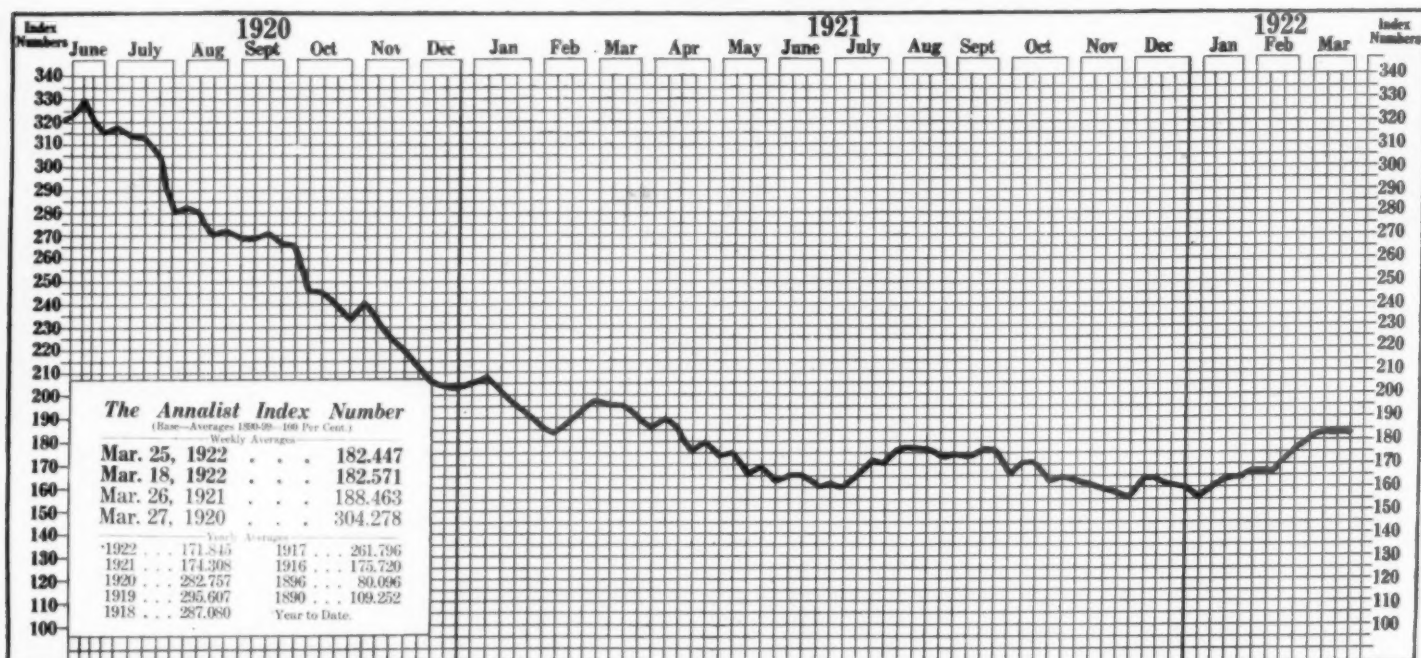
Specific features of the week in the cotton goods trade consisted of a cut in the price of several standard brands of 4-4 bleached muslins. The new prices, however, affect only in its plants. One of the best-known brands of these goods, made by a different concern, was repriced for the coming month at the same figure which had prevailed since January. This price, though not applying specifically to stock goods, virtually does so for the time being because of labor troubles in its plants. Excepting for a reasonable business with the retail trade in wash goods, there was very little sale of business in cotton fabrics during the week. In the unfinished cotton goods, prices slumped still further on printcloths and the lighter-weight sheetings, with the former quoted on the basis of 7½ cents for 3½-inch 64-60s. The only bright spot in this part of the market was supplied by the flannel tone to heavy sheetings, which was due to the increased call for them for export.

Aside from the calling of strikes in Lawrence, Mass., woolen mills, the only feature in the worsted and woollens was the circulation of apparently well-founded rumors in the local market that buyers of fancy back overcoatings were beginning to cancel. In view of the strong position these goods held in the trade, the rumors came as something of a surprise. Another surprise was the report that serges were showing a tendency to "come back" after a long period in which they were passed.

The continuance in the slump of buying of broad silks, coupled with the high production costs growing out of the prices of the raw material, resulted during the week in the announcement of a sharp curtailment in output by two very prominent houses in the trade. The prominence of these concerns was thought likely to result in similar action by several of the less important ones. Rumors were also current that a 15 per cent. cut in wages would be announced in the Paterson mills about April 1, and there was speculation as to whether or not this would mean the spread of present textile troubles to the silk field. A price-cutting war among the jobbers, in order to reduce their present holdings, is another trade development that was said to be probable.

A third development was the official action of the Silk Association of America looking to the regulation of speculation in raw silks

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Financial Transactions

	Last Week.	Same Week.	Year.	Same Period.
Sales of stock, shares.....	5,143,851	3,569,596	50,046,584	39,763,165
Sales of bonds, par value.....	\$88,070,000	\$42,888,200	\$1,070,785,050	\$710,843,480
Average price of 30 stocks.....	High 71.92	High 69.78	High 74.92	High 72.33
Average price of 40 bonds.....	Low 73.17	Low 67.10	Low 68.63	Low 64.90
Average net yield of ten high-priced bonds.....	High 78.10	High 76.10	High 78.10	High 71.60
New security issues.....	Low 77.96	Low 68.85	Low 75.01	Low 68.80
	4.205%	5.300%	4.701%	5.247%
	\$42,755,000	\$7,740,000	\$350,448,000	\$459,832,000

BAROMETRICS

The State of Credit

FOREIGN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

	Last Week.	Previous Week.	Year to Date.	Same Week.
British Con. 2½%.....	55%@54%	54%	37%@48%	47%@40%
British 5%.....	98 @96%	96%@96%	98 @91%	87%@80%
British 4½%.....	94 @93%	94%@94%	94%@83%	79%@70%
French rentes (in Paris).....	58.80@57.75	58.35@58.00	58.95@54.20	58.25@58.10
French War Loan (in Paris).....	78.95	78.95	80.20@78.95	83.95

Potentials of Productivity and Measure of Business Activity

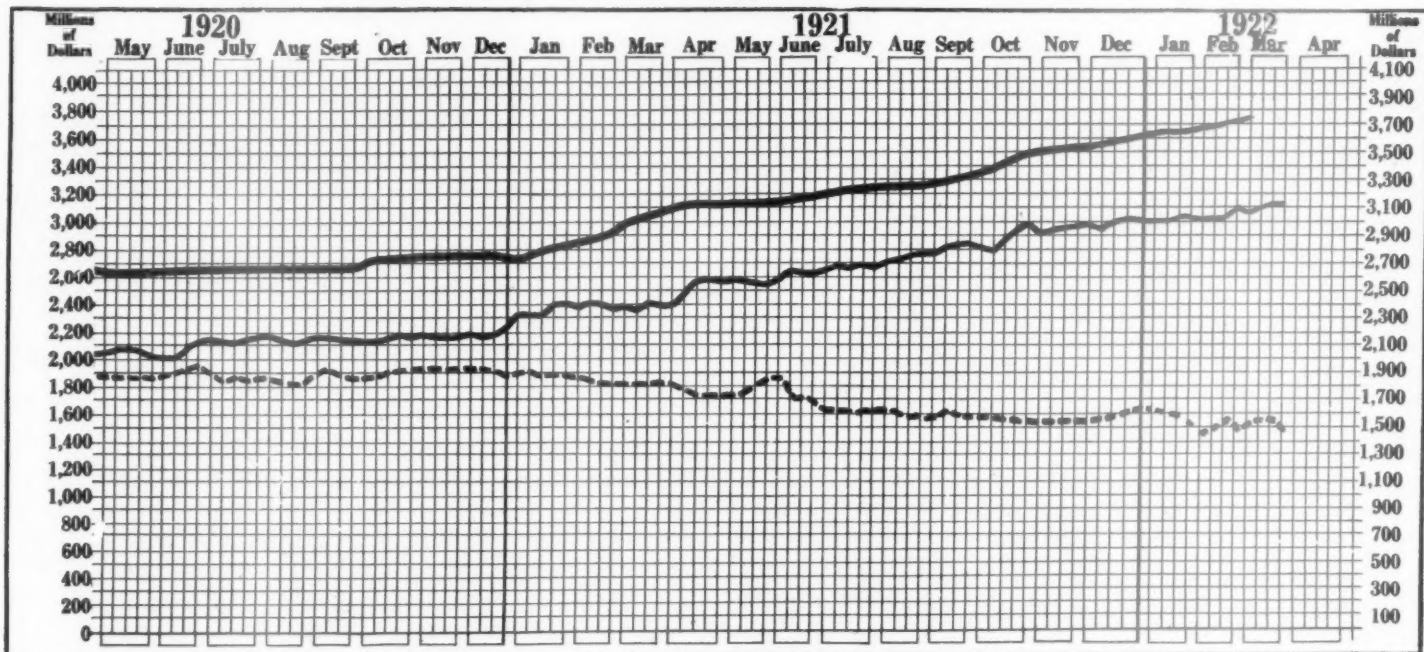
THE METAL BAROMETER

	—End of February.—	—End of January.—
United States Steel orders, tons.....	4,141,000	6,923,887
Daily pig iron production, tons.....	58,214	60,187
Pig iron production, tons.....	1,629,981	1,644,981

WEEK'S PRICES OF BASIC COMMODITIES

	Current Minimum Price.	Range, 1922. High. Low.	Mean Price 1922.	Mean Price of Other Years 1921. 1920.
Copper: Electrolytic, per lb.....	\$0.12875	\$0.13875 \$0.1275	\$0.130625	\$0.1275 \$0.1275
Cotton: Spot, middling upland, per lb.....	17.85	19.00 16.45	17.75	16.375 20.125
Brick: Hudson River common, per 1,000.....	17.00	20.00 15.00	17.50	17.00 17.00
Cement, Portland, bulk, at mill, bbl.....	1.70	1.70 1.70	1.70	1.70 3.25
Wool: Ohio & Pa. half blood combed, per lb.....	42	42 37	38.50	32.50 32.50
Pine: No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 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Federal Reserve Gold Holdings and Total Stock of Gold



The space between the base line and the broken line represents the cash reserves required, that between the broken line and the light line the excess reserves, or free gold, and the whole space between the base line and the heavy line represents the total stock of gold. The supply is computed monthly, so that the record can never be brought to the date of publication. The chart records the last figures published.

Week Ended
Saturday, March 25

Bank Clearings

By Telegraph to
The Annalist

	1922	1921	1922	1921
Central Reserve Cities				
New York	\$4,142,636,403	\$3,189,337,277	\$48,078,307,580	\$48,631,517,892
Chicago	497,637,983	458,120,103	5,950,717,907	6,265,400,549
Total, 2 C. R. cities	\$4,640,274,386	\$3,627,457,380	\$54,029,025,487	\$54,896,918,441
Increase	27.0%		*1.5%	
Other Federal Reserve Cities				
Atlanta	\$38,909,068	\$39,827,000	\$470,228,293	\$525,481,965
Boston	296,000,000	240,466,277	3,444,000,000	3,385,770,480
Cleveland	73,967,702	84,886,065	945,121,198	1,296,194,332
Kansas City, Mo.	125,874,013	138,361,778	1,554,175,508	1,933,508,600
Minneapolis	55,937,130	54,075,012	693,213,559	758,408,089
Philadelphia	384,000,000	331,693,874	4,688,000,000	4,854,372,104
Richmond	39,052,000	39,398,000	470,800,000	540,689,000
San Francisco	122,500,000	130,000,000	1,569,400,000	1,908,000,000
Total, 8 cities	\$1,136,240,002	\$1,068,708,615	\$13,834,938,558	\$14,012,404,500
Increase	6.3%		*7.2%	
Total, 10 cities	\$5,776,514,388	\$4,696,165,995	\$67,863,964,045	\$68,909,322,941
Increase	22.9%		*2.7%	

	1922	1921	1922	1921
Other Cities				
Buffalo	\$33,783,152	\$31,904,627	\$420,295,222	\$445,549,682
Columbus, Ohio	11,805,600	14,003,200	144,503,300	159,400,100
Denver	16,386,280	17,072,413	221,170,150	230,532,581
Indianapolis	14,609,000	12,634,000	193,099,000	174,328,000
Los Angeles	87,339,000	83,162,000	1,090,101,000	995,491,000
Louisville	24,640,130	23,385,007	293,772,997	305,234,239
Milwaukee	31,856,773	28,451,447	340,552,864	357,647,528
New Orleans	40,410,855	35,981,998	540,453,838	548,861,734
Omaha	37,683,083	37,683,083	429,709,363	488,301,113
St. Paul	27,996,250	27,239,078	337,286,403	405,742,680
Seattle	30,638,490	32,157,068	360,753,867	346,451,131
Washington	17,273,719	14,867,315	212,844,854	190,060,399
Total, 12 cities	\$374,902,532	\$360,691,443	\$4,623,142,889	\$4,816,000,147
Increase	3.9%		*4.007%	
Total, 22 cities	\$6,151,436,900	\$5,056,857,438	\$72,487,106,914	\$74,625,323,088
Increase	21.0%		*2.8%	

*Decrease.

Actual Condition Statements of the Federal Reserve Banks March 22

	Dist. 1. Boston	Dist. 2. New York	Dist. 3. Philadelphia	Dist. 4. Cleveland	Dist. 5. Richmond	Dist. 6. Atlanta	Dist. 7. Chicago	Dist. 8. St. Louis	Dist. 9. Minneapolis	Dist. 10. Kansas City	Dist. 11. Dallas	Dist. 12. San Francisco
Gold reserve	\$178,278,000	\$1,083,822,000	\$429,200,000	\$256,451,000	\$72,961,000	\$115,458,000	\$475,549,000	\$97,262,000	\$71,864,000	\$80,340,000	\$43,019,000	\$287,809,000
Rediscouts	14,973,000	34,063,000	49,299,000	19,517,000	31,773,000	11,607,000	21,527,000	9,824,000	3,795,000	6,717,000	3,797,000	20,246,000
Bills on hand	50,803,000	102,019,000	83,781,000	54,395,000	77,032,000	50,503,000	93,305,000	32,179,000	29,546,000	32,483,000	34,826,000	62,080,000
Due members	100,236,000	634,980,000	101,450,000	130,926,000	53,025,000	48,442,000	248,528,000	66,585,000	45,292,000	68,561,000	44,764,000	116,053,000
Notes in circulation	153,976,000	625,844,000	186,202,000	195,696,000	92,603,000	110,971,000	369,825,000	80,962,000	52,297,000	62,161,000	28,004,000	224,833,000
Ratio reserve	74.2%	86.7%	75.4%	79.4%	53.5%	72.3%	77.7%	75.5%	72.9%	63.0%	65.0%	79.7%

Federal Reserve Bank Statement

Consolidated statement of the twelve Federal Reserve Banks compares as follows:

	Mar. 22, 1922	Mar. 15, 1922	Mar. 25, 1921
RESOURCES—			
Gold and gold certificates	\$321,499,000	\$321,283,000	\$291,960,000
Gold settlement fund—Federal Reserve Board	514,262,000	484,180,000	509,913,000
Total gold held by banks	\$835,761,000	\$805,463,000	\$801,873,000
Gold with Federal Reserve agents	2,061,361,000	2,090,124,000	1,245,507,000
Gold redemption fund	79,581,000	80,435,000	163,385,000
Total gold reserves	\$2,976,703,000	\$2,976,022,000	\$2,210,765,000
Legal tender notes, silver, &c.	127,907,000	125,575,000	211,212,000
Total reserves	\$3,104,610,000	\$3,101,597,000	\$2,421,977,000
Bills discounted: Secured by U. S. Government obligations	227,138,000	229,068,000	1,010,373,000
All other	388,769,000	362,662,000	1,276,275,000
Bills bought in open market	87,045,000	87,311,000	123,056,000
Total bills on hand	\$702,952,000	\$679,041,000	\$2,409,704,000
United States bonds and notes	208,068,000	215,093,000	25,866,000
One-year certificates (Pittman act)	90,500,000	92,000,000	254,375,000
All other	143,696,000	291,274,000	2,480,000
Municipal warrants	102,000	102,000	
Total earning assets	\$1,146,218,000	\$1,277,510,000	\$2,692,435,000
Bank premises	38,237,000	38,005,000	20,322,000
Five per cent. redemption fund against Federal Reserve Bank notes	7,806,000	8,005,000	12,068,000
Gold abroad in custody or in transit			3,300,000
Uncollected items	521,650,000	607,795,000	592,950,000
All other resources	15,306,000	15,310,000	9,915,000
Total resources	\$4,833,827,000	\$5,048,022,000	\$5,753,167,000
LIABILITIES—			
Capital paid in	\$103,961,000	\$103,948,000	\$101,113,000
Surplus	215,398,000	215,398,000	202,036,000
Reserved for Government franchise tax	1,829,000	1,570,000	
Deposits: Government	66,350,000	16,789,000	114,085,000
Member banks—Reserve account	1,607,842,000	1,845,493,000	1,674,536,000
All other	40,382,000	51,181,000	51,066,000
Total deposits	\$1,774,583,000	\$1,913,463,000	\$1,840,887,000
Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation	2,183,374,000	2,188,583,000	2,930,729,000
F. R. Bank notes in circulation—Net liability	78,863,000	78,029,000	175,490,000
Deferred availability items	458,377,000	529,912,000	454,279,000
All other liabilities	17,442,000	17,109,000	48,633,000
Total liabilities	\$4,833,827,000	\$5,048,022,000	\$5,753,167,000
Ratio of total reserves to deposit and Federal Reserve note liabilities combined	78.4%	75.0%	50.8%

Statement of Member Banks

Data for Federal Reserve Cities and in Federal Reserve Branch Cities

	New York March 15	New York March 8	Chicago March 15	Chicago March 8
Number of reporting banks	67	67	50	50
Loans sec. by U. S. Govt. obligations	\$127,117,000	\$132,600,000	\$56,670,000	\$54,587,000
Loans sec. by stocks and bonds	1,221,474,000	1,176,910,000	328,778,000	330,983,000
All other loans and discounts	2,181,888,000	2,162,809,000	678,655,000	681,558,000
Total loans and discounts	3,530,479,000	3,472,319,000	1,064,103,000	1,067,128,000
U. S. bonds owned (exclusive of bonds borrowed)	353,546,000	353,532,000	29,127,000	25,471,000
U. S. Treasury notes	14,022,000	66,963,000	8,594,000	9,386,000
U. S. Treasury notes	208,679,000	143,328,000	25,185,000	18,208,000
U. S. cfts. of indebtedness	77,042,000	76,388,000	37,688,000	4,786,000
Other loans, stocks and secur's	522,258,000	514,235,000	180,961,000	178,330,000
Loans, discounts, investm'ts, &c.	4,706,026,000	4,626,745,000	1,577,108,000	1,303,309,000
Reserve bal. with F. R. Bank	633,827,000	577,873,000	1,420,000	130,658,000
Cash in vault	74,062,000	77,777,000	2,400,000	29,091,000
Net demand deposits	4,310,969,000	4,172,449,000	945,722,000	929,568,000
Time deposits	337,062,000	329,789,000	316,595,000	317,479,000
Government deposits	96,461,000	91,540,000	24,604,000	29,287,000
Bills payable	6,107,000	7,319,000	580,000	160,000
Bills rediscounted	6,158,000	6,962,000	4,025,000	3,099,000
All Reserve Cities				
Number of reporting banks	275	275	212	212
Loans sec. by U. S. Govt. obligations	\$286,154,000	\$292,363,000	\$65,238,000	\$67,893,000
Loans sec. by stocks and bonds	2,252,578,000	2,223,759,000	456,021,000	461,228,000
All other loans and discounts	4,696,252,000	4,672,836,000	1,380,408,000	1,396,124,000
Total loans and discounts	7,234,984,000	7,188,958,000	1,901,667,000	1,925,245,000
U. S. bonds owned (exclusive of bonds borrowed)	548,987,000	542,756,000	228,689,000	225,087,000
U. S. Treasury notes	40,308,000	95,950,000	18,075,000	33,677,000
U. S. Treasury notes	283,164,000	203,787,000	46,881,000	39,036,000
U. S. cfts. of indebtedness	154,783,000	106,145,000	35,051,000	24,220,000
Other loans, stocks and secur's	1,115,772,000	1,104,182,000	376,506,000	580,798,000
Loans, discounts, investm'ts, &c.	9,377,998,000	9,241,778,000	2,366,849,000	2,828,963,000
Reserve bal. with F. R. Bank	1,048,054,000	958,418,000	212,049,000	195,710,000
Cash in vault	152,260,000	153,728,000	51,818,000	32,621,000
Net demand deposits	7,412,824,000	7,223,199,000	1,686,183,000	1,618,731,000
Time deposits	1,453,107,000	1,443,858,000	956,929,000	935,057,000
Government deposits	187,698,000	202,399,000	29,174,000	47,919,000
Bills payable	38,156,000	37,180,000	21,751,000	24,720,000
Bills rediscounted	73,416,000	87,651,000	28,220,000	35,801,000
All Other Reporting Banks				
Number of reporting banks	318	310		
Loans secured by United States Government obligations	\$58,581,000	\$58,802,000		
Loans secured by stocks and bonds	426,241,000	423,786,000		
All other loans and discounts	1,257,589,000	1,297,454,000		
Total loans and discounts	1,742,411,000	1,780,042,000		
United States bonds owned (exclusive of bonds borrowed)	231,386,000	228,920,000		
United States Treasury notes	15,886,000	18,380,000		
United States Treasury notes	33,875,000	29,765,000		
United States certificates of indebtedness	24,039,000	22,128,000		
Other loans, stocks and securities	397,402,000	367,250,000		
Loans, discounts, investments, &c.	2,444,978,000	2,448,465,000		
Reserve balance with Federal Reserve Bank	162,368,000	146,653,000		
Cash in vault	68,435,000	70,987,000		
Net demand deposits	1,519,187,000	1,492,184,000		
Time deposits	703,945,000	703,985,000		
Government deposits	24,177,000	28,078,000		
Bills payable	22,687,000	25,296,000		
Bills rediscounted	41,861,000	44,706,000		

Total Sales 5,143,851 Shares

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82	63	39	Kan City So 3s.....	66½	65½	63½	- 1½
82	78	36	Kan City Terminal 4s 82.....	82	80½	81	+ ½
87	101½	41	Kelly-Springfield Tire 10s 107.....	106	106½	- ½	
87	72	8	Kokuk & D M 1st 3s.....	82½	82	- ½	
87	61½	7	Kings Co E 1st 4s p m 66 100.....	100½	102½	+ 2	
91	66	1	Kings Co EE 4s 100.....	71	71	+ 3	
94½	87½	31	LACK STEEL 3s.....	99½	99½	-	
98	82	43	Lack Steel 5s.....	85	84½	- ½	
98	85	12	Laclede Gas ref 5s.....	87½	87½	+ 1½	
99	94	14	Lake Erie & W 2d 5s.....	79	78	+ 1	
99½	88½	12	Lake Shore 4s, 1931.....	92½	91	- ½	
104	79½	34	Lake Shore 4s, 1928.....	83½	93	93	
104	78	3	Lake Shore 5s.....	77½	77½	- ½	
105	86	3	Lehigh Va (Fa) 10s.....	108½	108½	- ½	
11	78½	9	Lehigh Val (Fa) con 4s 80.....	79	80	+ 1	
126	100½	10	Lehigh Valley Gas.....	102½	101½	- 1	
145	94½	2	L V of N Y gtd 4½s.....	94½	94½	-	
147	93	10	Lex & Eastern 1st 3s.....	97	96	+ ½	
154	111½	31	Liggett & Myers 2s.....	115	114	- ½	
154	107½	31	Liggett & Myers 3s.....	98½	98½	-	
173	77	27	Long Island 6s.....	66	74½	75½	
						+ 1½	

		Close	Net Change	Day 1921
Ch 20	.....	78.08	+ 18	69.94
Ch 21	.....	78.19	+ 11	69.88
Ch 22	.....	78.01	+ 60	69.83
Ch 23	.....	78.02	- 08	69.88
Ch 24	.....	77.96	- 06 Holiday	
Ch 25	.....	78.04	+ 08	70.00

Stocks—Yearly Highs and Lows—Bonds

—50 STOCKS		—40 BONDS	
High	Low	High	Low
74.92 Mar.	66.93 Jan.	78.19 Mar.	75.01 Jan.
73.13 May	58.35 June	76.31 Nov.	67.75 Jan.
94.07 Apr.	62.70 Dec.	73.14 Oct.	65.57 May
99.50 Nov.	69.73 Jan.	79.05 June	71.03 Dec.
80.16 Nov.	64.12 Jan.	82.36 Nov.	73.65 Sep.
90.46 Jan.	54.43 Dec.	89.48 Jan.	74.24 Dec.
101.51 Mar.	67.15 Dec.	99.48 Nov.	86.19 Apr.
94.13 Oct.	58.98 Feb.	87.62 Nov.	81.51 Jan.
73.30 Jan.	57.41 July	89.42 Feb.	81.62 Dec.
79.10 Jan.	63.09 June	92.31 Jan.	85.45 Dec.
85.83 Sep.	72.24 Feb.
84.61 Jan.	69.97 Sep.

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sive manner by Judge Elbert H. Gary, Chairman of the Board of the United States Steel Corporation, at the close of last week. The Steel Corporation will conform in the matter of prices to the precedent which was established when the decline set in. Then the independents cut under the Steel Corporation level and the latter company met this competition. Now, with prices turning upward, the Steel Corporation will follow the advances within reason. This appears to indicate clearly that the low level of steel prices obtaining during the latter part of last year has not entirely passed and that from now on prices will be maintained at a level to insure a fair measure of profit on the work turned out.

The independents are in no position to cut prices, especially since they have lost heavily in the last few months by underselling. This was done with the idea of increasing business, but failed materially to stimulate demand, and so far as the case when prices are declining. The picking up in the market for steel products seems to insure an increasing volume of business during the balance of the year as the accumulated unfilled demand makes its appearance in the market.

New York Stock Exchange Transactions—Continued

—1922—								Stock and								Net								—1922—								Stock and								Net							
High.	Low.	Sales.	Dividend Rate.	High.	Low.	Last.	Ch'ge.	High.	Low.	Sales.	Dividend Rate.	High.	Low.	Last.	Ch'ge.	High.	Low.	Sales.	Dividend Rate.	High.	Low.	Last.	Ch'ge.	High.	Low.	Sales.	Dividend Rate.	High.	Low.	Last.	Ch'ge.																
145	119 1/2	1,700 United Fruit (8).....	138	130 3/4	137	—	%	94 1/4	44	400 Va Iron, Coal & C (6).....	45	45	45	—	—	33 1/2	23	900 Wisconsin Central	30	28 1/2	—	—	—	—	107	137	2,800 Woolworth (FW) Co(R) (17)	157 1/2	165	+ 1 1/2	—	—															
12 1/2	7 1/2	2,600 United Ry Investment.....	124	111	117	—	%	71	66	300 Do pf.....	68 1/2	67 1/2	68 1/2	+ 2 1/2	119	117	100 Do pf (7).....	117 1/2	117 1/2	—	—	—	—	33	43 1/2	5,700 Worthington Pump (4).....	52 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2	—	2 1/2																
23 1/2	20 1/4	3,900 Do pf.....	31 1/2	29 1/2	30 1/2	—	1 1/2	11 1/2	6 1/2	20,400 Vivaudou	11 1/2	9 1/2	10 1/2	+ %	140	90	100 Do pf (7).....	84	84	—	—	—	—	700	64 1/2	200 Do pf B (6).....	70	69 1/2	—	—	—																
56 1/2	43 1/4	16,400 United Retail Stores.....	47	43 1/2	44 1/2	—	2 1/2	0 1/2	6	23,400 WABASH	9 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	+ %	9 1/2	6	1,900 Wright Aeronautical (7).....	8 1/2	8 1/2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—															
38 1/2	16 1/2	15,800 U S C I & P & Fdy.....	36 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	—	3 1/2	28 1/2	19 1/2	50,200 Do pf A.....	28 1/2	25 1/2	27 1/2	+ 1 1/2	14	10 1/2	500 Weber & Heilbronner (1) (4)	13	13	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—															
70	50	700 Do pf (3).....	60	56	56	—	1	12 1/2	12 1/2	800 Do pf B.....	18 1/2	17	17 1/2	+ 1 1/2	85	65	700 Wells Fargo (2 1/2).....	81	79	81	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—														
6 1/2	6 1/2	200 U S Export.....	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	—	—	14	10 1/2	500 Weber & Heilbronner (1) (4)	13	13	13	+ %	9 1/2	6	1,900 Wright Aeronautical (7).....	8 1/2	8 1/2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—														
10 1/2	2 1/2	8,200 U S Food Products.....	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	—	—	85	65	700 Wells Fargo (2 1/2).....	81	79	81	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—														
49 1/2	37	9,200 U S Industrial Alcohol.....	46 1/2	46	47 1/2	+ 1 1/2	10 1/2	8 1/2	6	6,200 Western Maryland	10 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	—	1 1/2	3 1/2	2,100 North American	7	6 1/2	6 1/2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—														
8 1/2	90	300 Do pf (7).....	94 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	—	1 1/2	18 1/2	13	3,100 Do 2d pf.....	18 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	—	—	1 1/2	1	49,500 Pure Oil	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—													
64 1/2	56 1/2	1,300 U S Realty & Imp Co.....	60 1/2	59 1/2	59 1/2	—	%	20 1/2	13	5,800 Western Pacific	20 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	+ 1	3 1/2	3 1/2	63,300 White Oil	1 1/2	1 1/2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—														
64 1/2	51 1/2	18,800 U S Rubber.....	63 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2	—	3	58	51 1/2	1,100 Do pf (6).....	54 1/2	53 1/2	54	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—														
104	90	200 Do 1st pf (5).....	104 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	—	—	96 1/2	80	2,300 W U Telegraph (7).....	96 1/2	96 1/2	x 6 1/2	+ 3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—														
38	32 1/2	900 U S Smelt Ref & M.....	37 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	—	1 1/2	106	90	100 Westinghouse A Br (4).....	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—														
45 1/2	42 1/2	500 Do pf (3 1/2).....	43 1/2	45	45	+ 1 1/2	98 1/2	6	7,300 Westinghouse E & M (4).....	57 1/2	57	57 1/2	+ %	16	9 1/2	1,100 M, K & T 1st a pd.....	16	15 1/2	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—													
96 1/2	82	124,900 U S Steel (5).....	96	93 1/2	94 1/2	—	1 1/2	98 1/2	6	5,000 Wheeling & Lake Erie.....	9 1/2	9	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—													
118	114 1/4	2,800 Do pf (7).....	117 1/2	116 1/2	117 1/2	—	1 1/2	10 1/2	12 1/2	5,200 Do pf.....	10 1/2	18	18 1/2	+ %	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—														
65 1/2	60 1/2	8,500 Utah Copper (2).....	63	62 1/2	63 1/2	—	1 1/2	41 1/2	35 1/2	3,400 White Motors (4).....	41 1/2	37 1/2	x 40	+ %	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—														
16 1/2	9 1/2	2,000 Utah Securities	15 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	—	1 1/2	106	7 1/2	12,600 White Oil	10 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—													
29 1/2	30 1/4	34,900 VANADIUM CORP.....	39 1/2	37 1/2	38	—	1 1/2	10 1/2	13	2,100 Wickwre Steel	14 1/2	13 1/2	14 1/2	+ 1/2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—													
26 1/2	26	100 Van Rauter at pf (7).....	32	32	32	—	—	42 1/2	34	500 Wilson	40 1/2	39	40	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—													
27 1/2	27 1/2	2,800 Va-Carolina Chemical.....	35 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2	—	3 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	82,900 Willys-Overland	9 1/2	7 1/2	8	+ %	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—													
75 1/2	67	900 Do pf.....	77 1/2	73 1/2	73 1/2	—	1 1/2	44 1/2	24	6,200 Do pf.....	44 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2	+ 1 1/2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—													

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Dividend rates as given in the above table are the annual cash payments based on the latest quarterly or half-yearly declarations. Unless otherwise noted, extra or special dividends are not included.

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STANDARD OIL SECURITIES

Anglo-Am. Oil Co. Ltd.	174	174	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Atlantic Refining Co. pf.	920	920	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Burns-Bryner Co.	114	117	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Buckeye Pipe Line Co.	250	370	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Chesapeake Mfg. Co. Con.	192	196	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
*Continental Oil Co.	120	135	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Crescent Pipe Line Co.	130	134	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Cumberland Pipe Line Co.	140	150	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Eureka Pipe Line Co.	93	95	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Galena Signal Oil Co. common.	100	105	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Galena Signal Oil Co. pf., new.	110	115	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Galena Signal Oil Co. pf., old.	45	47	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Illinois Pipe Line Co.	174	178	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Indiana Pipe Line Co.	102	105	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
International Pet. Co. Ltd.	102	105	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
National Transit Co.	27	28	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
New York Transit Co.	174	178	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Northern Pipe Line Co.	106	108	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Ohio Oil Co.	275	276	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Perm.-Mex. Fuel Co.	205	276	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Prairie Oil & Gas Co.	535	565	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Prairie Pipe Line Co.	232	235	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
*Solar Refining Co.	340	360	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Southern Pipe Line Co.	97	98	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
South Penn. Oil Co.	170	183	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Southwestern Pipe Line Co.	63	65	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Standard Oil of Ind., \$25 par.	94	95	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Standard Oil of Ind., \$25 par.	94	95	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
*Standard Oil of Kansas.	540	560	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Standard Oil of Kentucky.	480	490	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Standard Oil of Nebraska.	105	112	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Standard Oil of New York.	375	378	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Standard Oil of Ohio.	350	400	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Standard Oil of Ohio pf.	115	116	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Swan & Finch Co.	35	45	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
*Union Tank Car Co.	98	102	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Union Tank Car Co. pf.	102	105	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Vacuum Oil Co.	350	355	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106
Washington Oil Co.	25	30	Charles E. Doyle & Co., 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	7106

PUBLIC UTILITIES

Adirondack P. & L. Co.	184	194	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Adirondack P. & L. Co. 7% pf.	86	89	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Amer. G. & E. 10% cum. pf.	141	143	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Amer. G. & E. 6% pf.	113	115	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Amer. L. & Trac. 8% cum. pf.	138	141	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Amer. L. & Trac. 6% pf.	95	98	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Am. Water Wks. & El. Co. 1st pf.	77	79 1/2	Otto Billo, 37 Wall St., N.Y.C.	Hanover 6297
Am. Water Wks. & El. Co. 2nd pf.	27 1/2	29 1/2	Otto Billo, 37 Wall St., N.Y.C.	Hanover 6297
Am. Water Wks. Co.	10	12	Otto Billo, 37 Wall St., N.Y.C.	Hanover 6297
Am. Pow. & L. Co. (ex div.)	95	99	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Am. Pow. & L. Co. 6% pf.	85	88	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Am. Public Utilities common.	8	15	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Am. Public Utilities 6% pf.	25	33	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Appalachian Power Co. common.	104	112	A. A. Housman & Co., 20 Broad St., N.Y.C.	Reactor 6330
Appalachian Power Co. 7% pf.	104	112	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Ark. L. & Pow. Co. 7% pf.	16	20	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Ark. L. & Pow. Co. 7% pf.	60	70	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Asheville Pow. & L. Co. 7% pf.	85	95	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Augusta-Aiken Ry. & El. Co.	1	3	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Augusta-Aiken Ry. & El. Co.	3	6	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Cal. Ry. & Pow. prior pf.	20	35	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Carolina Pow. & L. Co.	90	93	John Nickerson Jr., 61 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Bowl Gr. 6840
Carolina Pow. & L. Co. 7% pf.	92	95	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Central Maine Power Co. common.	40	45	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Central Maine Power Co. 6% pf.	83	88	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Central Maine Power Co. 7% pf.	102	105	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Central States Elec. common.	15	16	A. A. Housman & Co., 20 Broad St., N.Y.C.	Reactor 6330
Cent. States Elec. Corp. 6% pf.	75	80	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Cities Service, bankers' shares.	209 1/2	211	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Cities Service, common.	194	198	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Cities Service Co. 6% pf.	50	60	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Cities Service Co. 6% pf.	110	125	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Cleve. Elec. Illum. Co. 6% pf.	92	102	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Cleve. Elec. Illum. Co. 6% pf.	108	110	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Cities Service Co. pf.	50 1/2	60 1/2	H. L. Doherty & Co., 60 Wall St., N.Y.C.	Hanover 10060
Cities Service Co. common.	309 1/2	313	H. L. Doherty & Co., 60 Wall St., N.Y.C.	Hanover 10060
Colorado Power Co. 7% pf.	85	89	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Colorado Power Co. common.	154	164	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Colorado Power Co. common.	154	164	A. A. Housman & Co., 20 Broad St., N.Y.C.	Reactor 6330
Commonwealth Ed. Co. 8% cum.	117	122	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Commonwealth R. & L. Co.	50	52	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Commonwealth R. & L. Co. pf.	50	52	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Consumers Pow. Co. 6% pf. (ex div.)	81	84	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Cont. Gas & Elec. common.	15	25	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Cont. Gas & Elec. 6% pf.	67	70	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Cumberland County P. & L. Co.	15	20	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Cumberland County P. & L. Co. pf.	83	89	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Dayton Pow. & L. Co. common.	53	58	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Dayton Pow. & L. Co. 6% pf.	83	87	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Dayton Pow. & L. Co. common.	50	55	John Nickerson Jr., 61 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Bowl Gr. 6840
Dayton Pow. & L. Co. pf.	80 1/2	84	John Nickerson Jr., 61 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Bowl Gr. 6840
Detroit Ed. 8% capital (ex div.)	106	109	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Duluth Edison Co. 6% pf.	68	73	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Duluth-Superior Trac. Co. common.	15	25	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Duluth-Superior Trac. Co. pf.	25	35	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Duquesne Light Co.	101	104	John Nickerson Jr., 61 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Bowl Gr. 6840
Duquesne Light Co. 7% pf.	101	104	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
East Tex. Elec. Co. common.	84	89	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
East Tex. Elec. Co. 6% cum. pf.	80	90	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
El. Bond & Share Co. 6% pf.	91 1/2	92 1/2	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Federal Light & Trac. Co. common.	68	73	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Federal Light & Trac. Co. pf.	68	73	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Fl. Worth P. & L. 7% pf. (ex div.)	89	95	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Fl. Worth P. & L. pf.	92	95	John Nickerson Jr., 61 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Bowl Gr. 6840
Gen. Gas & Elec. common.	2	5	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Gen. Gas & Elec. conv. 5% pf.	12	14	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Gen. Gas & Elec. 7% cum. pf.	57	62	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Idaho Power 7% pf.	87	93	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Illinois Traction Co. 6% pf.	72	78	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Illinois Traction Co. 6% pf.	72	78	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Iowa Ry. & Light Co. 7% pf.	80	90	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Iowa Ry. & L. pf.	83 1/2	90	John Nickerson Jr., 61 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Bowl Gr. 6840
Kan. Gas & Elec. 7% pf. (ex div.)	80	95	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Kentucky Securities Corp. common.	5	10	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Kentucky Sec. Corp. 6% pf.	13	14	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Lehigh Pow. Sec. Co. 6% capital.	13	14	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Michigan State Tel. pf. 6%.	87	92	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Milwaukee Elec. Ry. & L. Co. 6% pf.	70	80	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Miss. River Power Co. common.	20	20 1/2	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Miss. River Power Co. 6% pf.	20	21	A. A. Housman & Co., 20 Broad St., N.Y.C.	Reactor 6330
Miss. River Power Co. 6% pf.	78	80	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Nat. Lt. H. & P. common.	1	4	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Nat. Lt. H. & P. pf.	20	25	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Neb. Power Co. 7% pf.	50	52	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
New Eng. Pow. Co. 6% cum. pf.	89	92	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Ning. Falls Tr. Co. 7% pf.	101	105	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Nor. Ont. Lt. & P. Co. 6% cum. pf.	9	11	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Nor. States Pow. Co. 8% cum. pf.	87	90	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Nor. States Pow. Co. 7% pf.	90	93	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Nor. States Pow. Co. warrants.	3	7	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Pac. Gas & Elec. Co. 6% pf.	85	88	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Pac. Gas & Elec. 7% pf.	90	93	John Nickerson Jr., 61 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Bowl Gr. 6840
Pac. Pow. & L. Co. common.	80	87 1/2	John Nickerson Jr., 61 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Bowl Gr. 6840
Pac. Gas & Elec. pf.	96	100	John Nickerson Jr., 61 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Bowl Gr. 6840
Portland Gas & Coke pf.	10	10	John Nickerson Jr., 61 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Bowl Gr. 6840
Portland Gas & Coke 7% pf.	84	87	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Puget Ed. Pow. & L. Co. common.	95	98	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Puget Ed. Pow. & L. Co. 6% cum. pf.	16	18	A. A. Housman & Co., 20 Broad St., N.Y.C.	Reactor 6330
Repub. Ry. & L. Co. common.	16	18	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Repub. Ry. & L. Co. pf.	16	18	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Repub. Ry. & L. Co. pf.	16	18	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
San Antonio Elec. 6% pf.	60	60	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
South. Cal. Edison Co. 8% pf.	116	114	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Standard Gas & Elec. Co. common.	13 1/2	15	A. A. Housman & Co., 20 Broad St., N.Y.C.	Reactor 6330
Standard Gas & Elec. Co. 8% pf.	13 1/2	15	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Tenn. Ry. & L. P. Co. common.	9	12	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Tenn. Ry. & L. P. Co. pf.	12	15	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Texas Power & Light 7% pf.	100	104	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Toledo Edison 8% pf.	100	102	A. A. Housman & Co., 20 Broad St., N.Y.C.	Reactor 6330
Tri-City Ry. & L. Co. pf.	43	44	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
United Light & Ry. Co. common.	43	44	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
United Light & Ry. Co. pf.	43	44	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813

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PUBLIC UTILITIES—Continued

United Light & Ry. com.	42	46	A. A. Housman & Co., 20 Broad St., N.Y.C.	Reactor 6330
United Gas & Elec. Corp. com.	26	32	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
United G. & E. 1st pf.	3	4 1/2	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
United G. & E. 2d pf.	3	4 1/2	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Utah Power & L. pf.	91	93	John Nickerson Jr., 61 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Bowl Gr. 6840
Utah Power & L. 7% pf.	91	94	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Western Power Co. common.	27 1/2	28 1/2	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Western Power Co. 6% pf.	70	79	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
West. States G. & E. 7% cum. pf.	80	88	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
Wisconsin Edison capital.	31	40	John Nickerson Jr., 61 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Bowl Gr. 6840
Wis-Minn. L. & P. 7% pf.	80	85	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
West. Penn. Trac. & W. P. com.	22 1/2	25	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813
West. Penn. Trac. & W. P. 1st pf.	78	82	Otto Billo, 37 Wall St., N.Y.C.	Hanover 6297
Yadkin River Power 7% pf.	89	95	Pynchon & Co., 111 Broadway, N.Y.C.	Reactor 813

RAILROADS

Ala. Gt. Southern ordinary.....	48 1/2	50 1/2	Bennett M. Minton, 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	Broad	4379
Ala. Gt. Southern pf.....	55	58	Bennett M. Minton, 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	Broad	4379
Albany & Susquehanna.....	180	190	Bennett M. Minton, 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	Broad	4379
Bech Creek R. R.....	56	59	Bennett M. Minton, 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	Broad	4379
Canada Southern.....	62 1/2	65	Bennett M. Minton, 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	Broad	4379
Cleveland & Pittsburgh 7%.....	39	41	Bennett M. Minton, 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	Broad	4379
Cleveland & Pittsburgh 9%.....	39	41	Bennett M. Minton, 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	Broad	4379
F. Wayne & Jackson pf.....	100	105	Bennett M. Minton, 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	Broad	4379
Illinois Central Leased Line.....	72	73	Bennett M. Minton, 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	Broad	4379
Kalamazoo, Allegany & G. R.....	100	105	Bennett M. Minton, 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	Broad	4379
Kan. City, Ft. Scott & Mem. pf.....	60 1/2	62	Bennett M. Minton, 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	Broad	4379
Minn., St. P. & S.M. Leased Line.....	62	65	Bennett M. Minton, 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	Broad	4379
Morris & Essex.....	98	100 1/2	Bennett M. Minton, 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	Broad	4379
New York, Lack. & Western.....	75	76	Bennett M. Minton, 30 Broad St., N.Y.C.	Broad	4379
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Business Statement, December 31, 1921

Assets	\$1,115,583,024.54
<i>Larger than those of any other Insurance Company in the World.</i>	
Increase in Assets during 1921	\$134,669,937.37
<i>Larger than that of any other Insurance Company in the World.</i>	
Liabilities	\$1,068,341,845.04
Surplus	\$47,241,179.50
Ordinary (annual premium) Life Insurance paid for in 1921	\$897,949,212
<i>More than has ever been placed in one year by any other Company in the World.</i>	
Industrial (weekly premium) Insurance paid for in 1921	\$666,840,395
Total Insurance placed and paid for in 1921	\$1,564,789,607
<i>A larger amount placed in one year than by any other Company in the World.</i>	
Gain in Insurance in Force in 1921	\$625,695,325
<i>A larger gain than that made by any other Insurance Company in the World.</i>	
Total Amount of Outstanding Insurance	\$7,005,707,839
<i>Larger than that of any other Company in the World.</i>	
Ordinary (that is exclusive of Industrial) Insurance in Force	\$3,892,267,274
<i>Larger than that of any other Company in the World.</i>	
Number of Policies in Force December 31, 1921	25,542,422
<i>Larger than that of any other Company in America.</i>	
Gain in Number of Outstanding Policies	1,642,425
Number of Claims paid in 1921	323,531
<i>Averaging one claim paid for every 27 seconds of each business day of 8 hours.</i>	
Amount paid to Policy-holders in 1921	\$91,348,472.98
<i>Payments to policy-holders averaged \$630.16 a minute of each business day of 8 hours.</i>	
Reduction in Industrial mortality in 10 years, 31.9 per cent.	
<i>Typhoid Fever reduction, 71 per cent.; Tuberculosis, 49 per cent.; Heart disease, 19 per cent.; Bright's disease, nearly 30 per cent.; Infectious diseases of children, nearly 37 per cent.</i>	
Death Rate for 1921 on the Industrial business lowest in history of Company.	
Dividends declared payable in 1922, nearly	\$16,000,000

GROWTH IN TEN-YEAR PERIODS

Year	Income for Year	Assets at End of Year	Surplus at End of Year	Number of Policies in Force at End of Year	Outstanding Insurance at End of Year	Year
Dec. 31, 1891	\$11,423,496.68	1891	\$13,626,948.21	1891	\$258,707,763	1891
Dec. 31, 1901	38,017,163.59	1901	74,771,758.56	1901	6,234,302	1901
Dec. 31, 1911	98,135,273.71	1911	352,785,890.36	1911	12,007,138	1911
Dec. 31, 1921	301,982,699.39	1921	1,115,583,024.54	1921	25,542,422	1921
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